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# Tribe remembers late chairman



Jimmy Newton Sr. (center) listens to his wife, Elaine Newton, talk about their son, the late Chairman Jimmy R. Newton Jr., Mrs. Newton reminisced about how her son was known as "the Chief Judge's son".

the late Chairman Jim- day, March 27 to rememmy R. Newton Jr., passed ber the young leader.

By Sacha Smith away. Family, friends and THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM the Southern Ute Indian Tribe came together on a It's been one year since warm spring afternoon Fri-

The remembrances began with a greeting and thank you from Elaine Newton, Chairman New-

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"Live for knowledge and always know where you come from"

> - Jimmy R. Newton Jr. (1976-2014)

# COUNCIL AFFAIRS

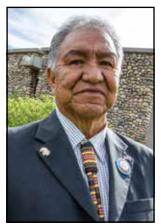
# Audit message to the Tribal Membership

By Clement J. Frost, Chairman & Tribal Council SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBAL COUNCIL

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe's audit for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2014 was completed by December 19, 2014 and presented to Tribal Council on January 14, 2015. The Tribal Constitution requires a comprehensive annual audit, with the audit firm selected and hired by Tribal Council. The audit was conducted by a nationally recognized Certified Public Accountant firm, Grant Thornton, who has been engaged to conduct the Tribe's annual audit for the past seven years.

A successful audit requires a collaborative effort from three key bodies: Those Charged with Governance (Tribal Council, Growth Fund Management Committee), Management (Business Entity Presidents, Chief Financial Officers and Controllers), and the audit firm. The audit requires involvement of all aspects of the Tribal Organization, not just the Accounting and Finance groups. For example, Reservoir Engineering at Red Willow helps develop oil and gas reserve data; the A-133 (grant audit) touches most departments of the Tribal Government; real estate evaluations are prepared by the asset managers; an agreed upon procedures and the Casino's operational report for compliance with procedures are reviewed.

What an audit affords to the Tribe is reasonable assurance that the financial statements do not contain material misstatements (none were reported for the 2014 audit). The audit is conducted under the guidance of professional standards



as established by Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards (Tribal Government and Casino) and Generally Accepted Auditing Standards (for the Growth Fund) and financial reporting standards that are set by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board and Financial Accounting Standards Board.

Separate audits are performed for various segments of the Tribe. The Tribal Government includes a financial audit and an A-133 audit (grant funded programs). The Growth Fund, includes individual financial audits for Red Willow, Red Cedar, Aka Energy, GF Private Equity and GF Properties and three separate reports for subsidiaries which are combined with all other operations of the Growth Fund to be included in a Growth Fund combined audit report. The Casino includes a financial audit and internal control minimum procedures. After all these individual audits are complete, a Tribe-Wide Audit report is prepared that combines all the tribal entities

into one audit report. The scope, magnitude,

Audit page 3

# GOV'T-TO-GOV'T

# Tribal Council, Youth Council aim towards leadership at CCIA

By Damon Toledo THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Health care, economic development, the production of a new Ute museum, and the recreation of Lake Night Horse were among the topics addressed at the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs (CCIA) meeting held in Denver from March 19 to March 20. The consultations were hosted at History of Colorado and the Governor's Mansion with members of Tribal Council, Southern Ute Royalty, and the Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council representing the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Additionally, council members of the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe were present to discuss the outside sovereign lands. expansions in their comheld quarterly to provide updates and discuss general progression inside and



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Southern Ute Tribal Chairman, Clement J. Frost, represents the Southern Ute Indian Tribe during the Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs meeting at the Governor's Mansion in Denver. Council members, Melvin J. Baker, Tyson Thompson, and Amy J. Barry accompanied him, along with Southern Ute Royalty and the Sunshine Cloud Smith Youth Advisory Council.

with admiration.

"It's an honor to be Our goal is to have these

Damon Toledo/SU Drum

with you all today," he constant communications Ernest House Jr., exec- addressed. "Every year and build up on each tribmunity. The meetings are utive director of CCIA, we do a Ute Day at the al consultation that hapwelcomed all in attendance State Capitol and we're pens each year." making it more formal ...

CCIA page 3

# Southern Ute Indian Tribe **General Meeting**

9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Friday, April 17, 2015 **Sky Ute Casino Event Center** 

# Thousands flock to Denver



from tribes across Indian Country gathered at the annual Denver March Powwow from March 20 to March 22. Dancers. vendors, and families gathered inside Denver Coliseum for the

Thousands of dancers

# Ignacio boys win it all



United States.

two Ignacio

Ocean Hunter (12), one of the big men, for the 7th grade Ignacio Wildcats, gets air and the score between Chiefs players Harlan and Calvin Joy - as teammate Jonus Nanaeto (13) prepares for a potential rebound. The two teams battled for first place during tournament play in Mid American Youth Basketball action in the SunUte gym, Saturday, March 21. The Chiefs went on to win first place while the Wildcats took second. Another MAYB tournament is scheduled in May at SunUte. MAYB has over 2,000 teams currently competing throughout the

Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

See page 8 for more MAYB action.

celebration of culture.

TRIBAL LANDS

# Respect your forest roads

Staff report SOUTHERN UTE AGENCY

It is the time of year when spring snows/rains combined with thawing cause forest roads to become unstable and subject to severe damage from vehicle traffic. We would like to enlist the aid of all forest road users in reducing the damage done to fragile forest roads.

Eastside forest roads are the responsibility of the BIA, Southern Ute Agency (BIA) to maintain; along with the US Forest Service (FS) on a few small sections. Occasionally during timber sales or other forest management activities the PECIALLY AFTER REcontractors are responsible for keeping roads on their treatment units in good condition. Unfortunately the funding provided to the BIA Branch of Roads is entirely inadequate to address even a small portion of the needs. They are lacking in funding, personnel and equipment.

At this time BIA roads has no bulldozer or road grader, and no operators. Operators are borrowed from Irrigation, which is also short on personnel. This situation results in the BIA Branch of Forestry doing most of the forest road work with only one operator, a small dump truck and a small bulldozer owned by Fire Management. As you can see this is an unfortunate situation, but one we have been living with for many years. This results in only a small portion of road work needed actually being performed each year. Unfortunately we are forced to prioritize.

Although progress is slow, we have done extensive work repairing/upgrading roads damaged by sands of dollars re-shaping, graveling, cleaning and/or adding culverts and grading many forest roads. Presently we have been working hard on Sambrito and Deep Canyon roads, only to find them severely damaged shortly

after the work is completed. Water is the number one enemy of all forest roads so they are designed to drain water off the roads as quickly as possible. This is done primarily by proper road placement, ditching and crowning of the roads, proper culvert placement and maintenance, and in some cases graveling. A large portion of your forest roads are not graveled and therefore are more suscepti-



This photo taken in the upper Sandoval Canyon area and are examples of rutting, the erosion caused, and the sediment settling in low areas.

**THESE ROADS** SHOULD BE AVOID-ED WHEN WET, ES-CENT ROAD WORK/ MAINTENANCE.

When a vehicle drives on wet/unstable forest roads the first thing that happens is rutting. Rutting causes water to not drain off the road as designed, and flow down the road rather than into the ditches. This causes erosion, making the ruts deeper. Water, mud and gravel then flow down the ruts and settle into low areas on the road, forming the giant puddles and mud holes you have all seen. This, in turn, makes it take longer for the road to dry out, causing additional damage. One set of ruts can ruin thousands of dollars of work.

Forest roads are for transporting Tribal members and employees, resource management personnel, range and forestry permittees, and other members of the public through the forest for purposes of recreation, forest management activities including fire suppression and management, hunting and gathering, and livestock and energy related flooding over the past cou- activities. All users need ple of years. We have spent to be aware of the fact that hundreds of hours and thou- damaging the roads is not serving anyone's purpose and causes diversion of already insufficient funding and resources.

In the near future, we will begin placing gates and closing some forest roads during winter/spring months to avoid further damage.

Also please be advised that people with woodcutting or other forest permits will be held responsible for using common sense when entering areas to cut wood, etc. If you are found destroying roads while in possession of a permit, your permit may be revoked and you may not be issued another. Please act responsibly.

We ask that you please help

- · Before entering any forest road that may be unstable, ask yourself if the trip is really necessary and/or if there is a better route that can be taken.
- driving Avoid non-graveled roads when they are wet and/or unstable. The minute your wheels start to spin or you hear mud splattering on the underside of your vehicle, stop, turn around as soon as possible, and leave the area. Wait for the road to dry out before re-entering or seek another route to your destination.
- Drive along the side of ruts, not in them. This helps to flatten out the ruts rather than make them deeper.
- When roads are dry and you have good visibility, use the full width of the road, not always driving down the middle, so the entire road gets packed down evenly.
- Do not enter forest roads when it appears a thunderstorm is imminent, and if you are already in the woods, leave with enough time to get down before thunderstorms strike.
- Try to do your firewood cutting from mid-September through October when roads are normally dry.

## Report violators that are destroying roads, call:

**SUIT Tribal Rangers** or SUPD

970-563-0246 or 970-563-0133

**BIA or SUIT Forestry** 970-563-4571 or 970-563-4780

Thank you for your cooperation, BIA Branch of Forestry and SUIT Forestry Division.



# MANY MOONS AGO



Dave Brown/SU Drum archive

# 10 years ago

The 12 Gauge Drum Group sings the Opening Song for the Growth Fund Open House on Friday, March 25. Pictured clockwise, from lower left, lan Thompson, Dustin Teags, Timothy Ryder, Patrick Hight, Tyson Thompson, Jim Newton Jr., Micco Wesley, Jake Ryder and Dan Jefferson.

This photo first appeared in the April 1, 2005, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

# 20 years ago

There was not an April photo that corresponded with this issue from 20 years ago. Look to the next issue for the next installment of the many moons ago photos.



# 30 years ago

Washington D. C. here we come. The above students are from Ignacio and Bayfield Middle Schools who were chosen by teacher and administrators of the schools on the basis of their academic performances, attendance and school conduct. The students from left to right are: Luisa Vasquez, Obbie Box, Danielle Monte, Toni Rael, Chantel Cloud, Melanie Box, Shelly Thompson, Eric Baker, Clinton Baker and chaperones Mr. and Mrs. Robert Loos.

This photo first appeared in the April 5, 1985, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.

# AUDIT MESSAGE TO MEMBERSHIP • FROM PAGE 1

and complexities of the tribal government and businesses require the efforts of a large audit team with significant expertise in all the various industries in which the Tribe operates. Grant Thornton serves the Tribe with 53 staff members coming from six offices throughout the nation and spends approximately 8,000 hours in completing the audit.

The Tribe's audit is completed in less than three months, and follows a timeline similar to what publicly traded companies use. This requires the accounting staffs to work diligently throughout the

year, and especially during the months of October through December. Information must be presented and discussed with Grant Thornton timely and completely in order to keep the audit process as scheduled.

The internal controls of all the reporting entities are evaluated by Grant Thornton. Using the experience of many audits, Grant Thornton will provide comments on the controls if they find them lacking. Grant Thornton had no comments on the most recently completed audit. This is a rare occurrence, especially for a private company.

"Even though Growth Fund is a private company, it has been my experience that the Growth Fund management runs their financial reporting processes similar to that of a public company, which is to say with a lot of discipline and purpose. It is far above what we normally see in a private company", said Harris Smith Grant Thornton Engagement Partner.

The Tribe employs many well-trained and experienced accounting professionals which helps ensure that the financial statements are presented fairly, accurately and timely to management and Tribal Council.

# **LOCAL UPDATE**

#### Second Financial Literacy class offered

I was hoping we could get an ad in the next paper promoting our second Financial Literacy Course on April 9, 16, 23 and 30 from 5:30 to 9 p.m. in the Leonard C. Burch Administration building. In this class we will be inviting graduating minors that want access to their minor trust accounts, along with all

Tribal Credit at 970-563-4744 to sign up and space is limited.

#### **Science** Corners Public Four Forum

Four Corners Public Science Forum on Methane will be holding it's forum on April 17, 2015 from 9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m., at the San Juan College located at 4601 College Blvd. in Farmington, NM, in Room 7103, membership. Please have them contact of the Computer Sciences Building.

# SUIMA springs into art



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Students painted, glued and colored some beautiful art work that filled the halls and offices of SUIMA to celebrate the coming of spring.

# Tribe remembers chairman • from page 1

ton's mother.

"We are here to celebrate his life ... he's done so much in the short time he was with us. Though he's not here, his spirit lives on," she said. "Thank you all for being here today, and thank you Tribal Council for putting this together."

Elaine Newton reminisced about her son before the crowd offering a look into Jimmy's life from a mother's perspective. She mentioned his humor, his accomplishments and his love for children.

"He always loved children, he was so loving," she said

some of his tactics that made him a unique leader.

Going into Tribal Council can be intimidating, but he always wanted everyone to feel at ease, she said.

"He would always start council meetings off with a joke," she said. "Just to break the ice."

In his honor, she told her own joke to the crowd.

In order to keep the late chairman's vision going, Elaine Newton said the family would be starting a foundation in the late chairman's name, "Jimmy R. Newton Jr. Emerging Leadership Awards". The foundation will recognize young people in the community who are emerging for the youth.

as leaders, she said. "If you believed in his that you support and donate whatever you feel you can do," she said.

Council will also be hosting a Jimmy R. Newton Jr. Youth Leadership Conference Saturday, May 16 Councilman Alex S. Cloud with everyone releasing that is open to all youth in the community. The annual conference is in remembrance of Chairman New- husband, son and a good away March 31, 2014.



She also talked about The crowd releases their balloons in memory of the late Chairman Jimmy R. Newton Jr. at his memorial Friday, March 27 south of council chambers.



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Chairman Clement J. Frost addresses all in attendance for the Memorial of the late Chairman, Jimmy R. Newton Jr. on Friday, March 27. Chairman Clement J. Frost talked about how it was a day to remember all the good the late chairman did, and not just the politics.

were also in attendance Bronco shirt. vision that no youth was and spoke about what they left behind, then we ask remember about the late ent J. Frost described the chairman.

keep Jim's vision alive," The Sunshine Cloud Council lady Amy J. Bar- lived, and he enjoyed all Smith Youth Advisory ry said. "I'm very active in that role with the youth."

> Expressing his respect through his leadership." for the late chairman, said, "Jim was all about the a balloon in memory of people."

ton and all the work he did leader." Cloud said. "And he was a big Bronco fan," Tribal Councilmembers he said pointing to his

Tribal Chairman Clemimportance of remember-"We have to strive to ing the "good things."

"He enjoyed the life he you people," Frost said. "We have gained a lot

The ceremony ended the late Chairman Jimmy "He was a good man, R. Newton Jr. who passed

# COUNCIL'S AIM FOR LEADERSHIP • FROM PAGE ]

**Culture** 



**Damon Toledo/SU Drum** 

Miss Southern Ute Ellie Siebel, Little Miss Southern Ute, Tauri Raines and Ute Mountain Ute Ayesha Clark, smile for a photo with Lieutenant Governor Joseph A. Garcia (left) and Ernest House Jr. (right) outside the Governor's Mansion.

The recreation of Lake marijuana offenses within Nighthorse, located in Durango, has been an ongoing debate between the Southern Ute and Ute Mountain Tribes and La Plata County as far as opening the lake to the public.

For years, the project has experienced several decades of delays due to cultural concerns, environmental challenges, and government funding issues. Current expansion of the project appears to be going in the right direction, although Tribal Council still expressed concerns in regards to the recreation.

"It's very important that we treat our water with respect as far as its uses go," Southern Ute Tribal Chairman, Clement J. Frost said. "This comes from our tribal membership. We're not in a hurry to rush into recreation, we want to know how to utilize the water because we want the city of Durango to understand the spiritual relationship with our water."

"I think everyone who's pushing for the recreation of Lake Nighthorse needs to understand why we need to do it the right way," added Vice Chairman, Melvin J. Baker.

meeting. Since the beginning of 2014, the legalization of cannabis has been a hot topic, especially since the United States Department of Justice recently issued that the federal government would not pursue the confines of tribal lands.

Ernest House Jr. addressed the matter of establishing dispensaries on the reservations after receiving requests from various companies. As of now, the Pinoleville Pomo Nation is the only tribe in the United States who has approved the use of cannabis on their land.

"I've received dozens of requests from marijuana and hemp companies who wish to do presentations on how they plan to bring in regulation," House stated. "We're doing research on different states who are looking towards it. It would be something interesting for the tribe's to use and consider so that the leaders are aware of what's going and be more informed."

Frost declared that the tribe may see interest in the recreation of marijuana, but as of now, they're not rushing into the business of it.

"As a tribe, we're not hurting on economic development in regards to hemp and marijuana," he addressed. "It seems like we're not in a hurry to have that influence us economically. Tribal Council may of business right now."

"On a cultural side, I think both tribes are a little hesitant on the recreation." added Ute Mountain Ute Chairman, Manuel Heart. "We're all working on it, but it was through reluc-

tance that we pushed towards this recreation."

## SUNSHINE CLOUD **SMITH YOUTH**

**ADVISORY COUNCIL** 

Sunshine Cloud The Smith Youth Advisory Council participated in their first CCIA meeting of the year, allowing members to study the importance of government organization, policies, and community leadership. Youth Councilmen Randy Herrera, Cameron Weaver, and Lakota TwoCrow were among the members present.

The Council toured a number of historical Denver landmarks while making a stop at the State Capitol where they attended a politicians meeting and were engaged in subject matters throughout Colorado.

Afterwards, the Council met with Southern Ute Royalty and Tribal Council at the Governor's Mansion for a special get together with the state representatives.

Youth Councilman, Lakota TwoCrow, described his first real experience in politics.

"It was a fantastic be-Lake Nighthorse wasn't be interested in listening, cause I got to see how the ne only recreational sub-though we're not really government operates from ject addressed at the CCIA pushing to get into that type my own perspective," he said. "I'm learning how to organize and make sure things have been put into place. I would like to listen for opportunities of improvement and project that in meetings so I can be a stronger secretary."

# **CULTURAL UPDATE**

# **Bread makers wanted**

The Bear Dance Chief is looking for fry bread makers for the Bear Dance Feast, which will be held on Monday, May 25. If you are interested please contact Tara Vigil at 970-563-0100, ext. 3624. All ingredients will be provided as well as a facility to cook.

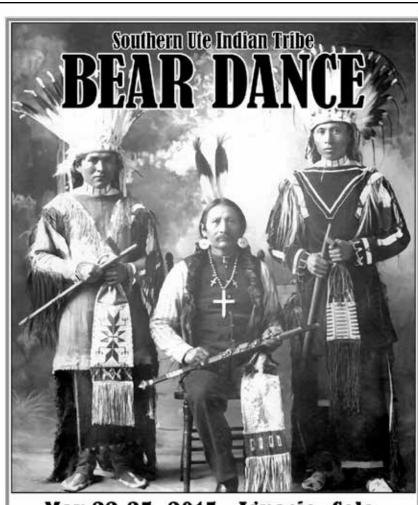
# Tribal Fair theme/artwork contest

The Southern Ute Culture Dept. would like to announce the 2015 Logo and Theme Contest for the 95th Annual Southern Ute Tribal Fair. This contest is open to ALL UTE MEMBERS. All medias of art will be accepted until April 30 at 5 p.m. Artwork shall be no bigger than 8.5 inches by 11 inches. Logo submissions must include a theme to coincide with respective artwork. Artwork must be signed by the artist. Selected artwork will be property of the Southern Ute Culture Dept. and will be featured on all items associated with

the fair. A stipend will be rewarded to the winner plus one t-shirt with the fair logo and theme. Winner will do a short interview with the Public Relations Department or may write a short paragraph explaining the logo and theme which will be featured in the 2015 Tribal Fair Premium Book. NO EXCEPTIONS TO THE RULES! Submit to the Southern Ute Culture Dept., PO Box 737 #88 Ignacio, CO 81137 or contact Tara Vigil, Special Events Coordinator at 970-563-0100 ext. 3624.

# Seeking culture class instructors

The Southern Ute Culture Dept. is seeking instructors for various culture classes we sponsor throughout the coming year. We are especially interested in instructors for the following classes: Roach Headdresses and Peyote Stich. If you are interested, please call Marge Barry at 970-563-4802 or 970-563-0100, ext. 2306.



May 22-25, 2015 · Ignacio, Colo.

BEAR DANCE CORRAL BLESSING • 10:30 a.m. Friday, May 22 BEAR DANCE FEAST • 12 p.m. Monday, May 25, Bear Dance Grounds

> **BEAR DANCE CHIEF - Matthew Box** 2nd CHIEFS - Jake Ryder & Jon Chavarillo

No short dresses or baggy pants while dancing.

Photography, video and audio recording is PROHIBITED, except by members of the Ute Tribe
The Southern Ute Indian Tribe will not be held responsible for accidents, injuries or thef
The Pine River is restricted.

For more Bear Dance information, call 970-563-0100, ext. 3624. Robert L. Sells/99 Brom





The Mouache-Capote spa, celebrated its grand opening Saturday, March 21. (Left to right), Massage Therapist Rosie Swanson, Owner Lisa Burch Frost, Esthetician Nasreen Mangla, and Hair Stylist Mavis Bravo.

#### **HEALTH & BEAUTY**

# Mouache-Capote Massage & Day Spa opens

Community members a place to relax and receive their beauty treatments. Mouache-Capote Massage & Day Spa held its grand opening ceremony inside where the spa is located.

The premium salon-spa is an expansion off of Mouache-Capote Massage that was established in 2006 by Owner Lisa Burch Frost.

Burch Frost, heads an all lady team consisting of: one massage therapist,

By Sacha Smith Rosie Swanson, an estheti-THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM cian Nasreen Mangla, a hair stylist Mavis Bravo, and herself, who manages the and Casino guests now have business and does a little bit of everything, she said.

"These three ladies are a Saturday, March 21 the true blessing and are very talented at what they do," she said.

the Sky Ute Casino Resort, massages, full body massages, eyebrow threading, facials, and hair services such as, cuts coloring and styling, just to name a few.

> "It's a place where people can be healed and a place where they are in good hands ... a good energy atmosphere," she said. "We invite everyone

to come visit us ... we give discounts to tribal members and tribal elders, tribal employees and hotel guests."

Burch Frost, was offered the salon back in November 2014, but it took her a couple of months to take up the offer, she said.

"I slept on it for two The salon-spa offers chair months, and with open arms I took it ... it was a blessing to expand to a massage & day spa," Frost said.

> You can set up an appointment with Mouache-Capote Massage & Day Spa by calling 970-563-6268. They also have a Facebook page you can "like" to get all the latest promos and information.

#### TRIBAL LANDS

# Controlling noxious weeds

SU AGRICULTURE DIVISION

Controlling noxious weeds is one of the biggest problems we face in the management of natural resources, not only here but all over the country. Dozens of plant species found in this area are classified as noxious weeds. Most of which are non-native plants brought here from around the world, and without the natural controls found in their native environments they grow fast and unchecked. This allows for their rapid spread, and leads to larger problems over time.

Infestations of noxious weeds can displace native plant species, negatively impact soil health, threaten wildlife habitat, lowers the yields and quality of agricultural crops, creates monoculture stands of unusable plants, and takes limited water and nutrients resources away from more desirable plants. All of these situations can lead to serious damage, making

Staff report the controlling noxious a few factors that must be weeds very important.

Proper management of irrigation water, livestock grazing, and attention to soil quality are good preventive measures that allows desirable plant species to out compete invading weeds.

When stands of weeds do become established however, control or eradicating becomes a larger task. In most cases, a multi-step integrated pest management plan will lead to the best long-term success. Changes in land management practices, replanting desirable plants that will crowd out weed species, along with other an Tribe Agriculture Dipractices are vital.

Due to aggressive hardiness of these weeds and usually the large size of the infested area, it is most feasible to begin this process by applying chemical cultural lands. If you have herbicides.

When applied properly herbicides are highly affective, require less labor and cost less than other options. and stop by the Agricul-

considered before going out in the field and doing the work. Good planning is needed in order to get the best results and insure label directions are followed. Early treatment and correct timing are big factors on how affective your application will be.

In order to successfully control weeds not only now, but also for years to come, it takes a combination of management activities that eliminate the already growing weeds and changes the growing conditions to prevent their regrowth.

The Southern Ute Indivision offers assistance on weed control issues by providing technical information and operating a cost share program to spray weeds on tribal agriquestion about controlling noxious weed or about the cost share program please call us at 970-563-0220 However, there are quite ture Division's offices.

# Ag Division, spring produce sale

Southern Ute Tribal Members, it is time for the AG Division Produce Sale

The Agriculture division will be taking orders April 3 through April 24. Look for the AG table at the General Meeting, on April 17. You can also stop by our office or call in your order, 970-563-0220.

See prices posted on page 9

# Pharmacy welcomes new tech

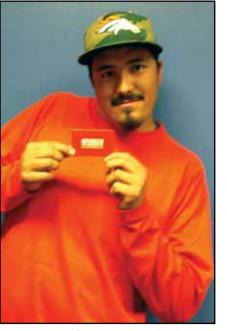


**Damon Toledo/SU Drum** 

Augustine Lucero (Auggie) was born and raised in Durango Colorado. He graduated from Durango High School in 2005. and became a Certified Pharmacy Technician in 2007 by completing the Pharmacy Technician program. Auggie has beautiful а daughter named Aurora and they resided in Durango. His hobbies include music, mechanic work, fishing and basketball. He worked at MRMC for 11 years doing many other positions and has now joined the team here at the Southern Ute health center Pharmacy. Auggie states "He is glad to be a part of the team!" and we are glad to have him.

# **Tribal Member-Exclusive Fitness Incentive**

February winners



18 years and up **Brandon Silva** 



Third grade - high school Kaylynn Weaver

The more you come in to SunUte, the better your chances are for winning!

Both winners earned a \$100 gift card to Sports Authority.

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# ATTENTION TRIBAL ELDERS AND **SOUTHERN UTE ROYALTY!**

ARE YOU PLANNING TO ATTEND THE

# **GATHERING OF NATIONS**

**APRIL 23RD-25TH IN ALBUQUERQUE, NM?** 

Don't be left behind! Please make any travel arrangements through the Tribe by

# Wednesday April 15th.

The Tribal accounting offices will not be able to process your travel during the week of April 20th, due to a major conversion of financial software.



# Call for Vendors

Ute Bear Dance Exhibition



June 13 & 14, 2015

Aspen, Colorado Presented by the Aspen Historical Society

Registration deadline: May 10 \$200 vendor fee Contact: (970)925-3721 ext. 104 Lodging packages available

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# Spring brings song and dance



The Ignacio Elementary kindergarten and first grade students sing songs of animals during their Spring Concert on Thursday, March 26 in the elementary cafeteria. The entire kindergarten and first grade classes (above) and their teachers sang and danced "The Chicken Dance" with family members. The concert included classic animal songs, such as "B-I-N-G-O," "Baby Bumblebee," "How Much Is That Doggie in the Window" and "The Lion Sleeps Tonight."





The kindergarten class performs a skit of the "Three Little Pigs." Cyrus Cosio, as the Big Bad Wolf, huffs and puffs trying unsuccessfully, to blow the brick house down, the three little pigs built.

Ignacio Elementary Music Teacher, Ms. Rohr plays the ukulele to begin "The Lion Sleeps Tonight" with the first graders.

# Talent abound at high school



photos Trennie Collins/SU Drum

The Ignacio High School Drama Club performs a skit about bullying during the talent show, as a part of the high school talent show held on Thursday, March 26 at Ignacio High School.





Justis Herrera (left) and Aislinn Ryder (center) sing a song while Mamakwa Valdez (right) accompanying on the keyboard at the high school talent show. Herrera and Amaya Bison also sang a Bruno Mars song while Ellie Seibel played the keyboard.

Katrina Hedrick, Ignacio Middle/High School band and choir teacher, also sang a ballad by Billie Holiday while playing the keyboard.

#### IGNACIO MIDDLE SCHOOL

# Performing arts comes to mid school

**Education** 

By Damon Toledo THE SOUTHERN UTE DRUM

Students from Ignacio Middle School were put in the spotlight figuratively and literally during the school's very first hosted performance piece on Thursday, March 26.

"Cafe' Murder" is a mystery-comedy play that intertwines the enigmatic twistsand-turns from the common 50's mystery movie, but with the added bonus of audience participation. The play is directed by middle school teacher, Jennifer Boniface, and features the cast of twelve dedicated students willing to showcase their acting chops: Emerald Owens, Eli Armendariz, Kyia Box, Bird Red, Misty Egger, Chris Pedlow, Anika Shideler, Jeffrey Brittain, Matthew Belleau, Hannah Cundiff, Elco Garcia, and Elijah Weaver. Extras in the play include Lizzy Valdez, Emily Lohrey, Bella Pena, and Makayla Miller.

"I found the script through a production company, and after Christmas break we started rehearsing Tuesday and Thursday every week after school," said director, Jennifer Boniface. "It was fun and nice to know more about the students and their personalities. It helps them break out of their shell, be creative, and be apart of a team."

This is the first time the middle school has introduced a performing arts program, and is encouraging fellow students to open the visionary doors to imaginative boundaries. However for some performers, this isn't their first acting engagement.

"I play the character Marjorie," said seventh grader Kyia Box. "She's polite and more successful than the sister characters. I've been per- form in another play." forming since I was in 4th grade and helped put on a play about bullying ... With Cafe' Murder, I joined late and prepared myself by acting proper, polite, and dressing right. I think [the play] was a good experience, and I think it could be something to try out for the students who are shy, because it's not as bad when you get up there in front of an audience."

Elijah Weaver, who played the role of a waiter, commented on his experi-



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Seventh grader, Kyia Box, portrays the character Marjorie in the student-produced play, "Cafe' Murder".



Damon Toledo/SU Drum

Bird Red performs in "Cafe' Murder", a comedy-mystery play that was put together by Ignacio Middle School. The play opened on Thursday, March 26 and was also the school's first performance piece acted out by students.

ence with the play.

"The director was looking for help and I decided to volunteer," he said. "The experience was good, I liked it. I enjoy fine arts, and I would definitely per-

"This production was the best production I've worked on," commented seventh grader and actor, Jeffrey Brittain. "Everyone was cooperative and worked together all the way. Drama helps with stress and is a really good experience. I thought I can be a lot of different characters, hobby for me."

on stage since I'm used to out to audition ... we want ple," Hannah Cundiff stat- year for the students."

ed. "Plus it's good to give my friends confidence. Ms. Boniface asked if we wanted to sign up, and I decided to play the waiter before landing the role of the hostess. Acting gives you confidence in talking to people, making them laugh, and interacting with many others."

With one play in the bag, the performing arts program has shown interest in reaching out to students who have a niche for acting. Creativity can go a long way for anyone who is inspired.

Jennifer Boniface conso acting can definitely be a cluded, "I hope we can continue this and hopeful-"I was comfortable to be ly more students will come being in front of a lot of peo- to be able to do this every

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# Nominations are now being accepted for the annual

Elbert J. Floyd Award. Eligibility requirements for recipients of the Elbert J. Floyd Award are:

**Nominations for annual Elbert** 

J. Floyd Award

# A member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe

- Deserving
- 2. A student of any age, formally enrolled in an education program, at any level, or someone planning immediate enrollment in such a program
- 3. Interested in continuing his or her education 4. Interested in serving the Tribe and the community
- 5. Approved by the Department of Education

An eligible recipient need not be living on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation at time of the nomination and need be available to return to the Tribe to receive the award in person. Any teacher, Tribal member or other interested person may submit the name of an eligible recipient for the Elbert J. Floyd Award to the Department of Education of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Nomination must be submitted in writing to Ellen S. Baker at the Southern Ute Education Department by 5 p.m. on Monday, May 4, 2015 and shall state the basis for the nomination. For more information call Ellen at 970-563-0235, ext. 2793. The selection of the recipient will be made by a committee of two members consisting of the Chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and Vice-Chairman of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. This annual award is in memory of Elbert J. Floyd and is presented by Mr. Floyd's children and grandchildren to a deserving Southern Ute Indian student.

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Southwest Colorado Community College is conducting the test thought the Education Department in Ignacio.

PLACE: Education Dept. Bldg. - Computer Lab TIME & DATE: 1 p.m., April 30

If you would like to take the test please call so we can reserve your spot or if you have any questions and need help, call Dr. Jonathan Hunstiger, Adult Education Program Manager at the Education Department 970-563-0237, ext. 2784.



nput is needed! Our club Board of Directors create its vision, plan programs develop funding and more. We are looking for experienced people who are sted in this community's youth and are excited about being a key component of this organization. There are open positions for tribal or community members

Applications are available at www.bgcsu.org

For more information please contact Mr. Bruce LeClaire, CPO, at (970) 563-0100 x 2694

### IGNACIO HIGH SCHOOL

# 3rd Quarter Honor Roll

#### **SENIORS**

4.4 David Cooper; 4.2 Adison Jones, Tyler Riepel; 4.0 Marillee Cotton, Alicia Naranjo; 3.9 Dynesha Drake; 3.8 July Stricherz; 3.7 James Ballew; 3.3 Mitchell FRESHMEN Abendroth, Abriana Baker-Silva, Iaasic Pena, Summer Youngman; 3.2 Miguel Perez, Kristean Velasquez-Baker; 3.0 Amya Bison, Klayson Smith

#### **JUNIORS**

4.7 Wyatt Hayes; 4.6 Austin McCaw, Antonia Mejia; 4.4 Chrystianne Valdez; 4.3 Tyler Beebe; 4.2 Miel Diaz, Lillianna Romero; 4.1 Chassity James; 4.0 Nicholas Herrera, Adelle Hight; 3.9 Alexandra Gearhart, TristanVickers-Boone; 3.7 Jerica Jackson; 3.6 Savannah Lane, Matthew Powell; 3.5 Rebekah Powell, Ellie Seibel; 3.3 Shayna Johnson; 3.2 Javan Webb; 3.1 Chase Sanchez, Tucker Ward; 3.0 JT Alvarez, Caitlyn Jones, Sage Medicine Blanket

#### **SOPHOMORES**

4.4 Rachel Cooper; 4.3 Tori Archuleta; 4.2 Lea Monroe, Zachary Weinreich; 4.0 Isis Gonzales; 3.8 Kelly Campbell, Bryan Gram, Sharmaine Price; 3.6 Keli Baker, Lainey Espinosa, William Whitworth; 3.5 Lucas Monroe, Ryley Webb; 3.4 Lorenzo Pena, Colten Smithson; 3.3 Colton Logan; 3.2 Camron Garcia, Joaquin King, Josiah Tessler, Cameron and Parker Smithson.

SMART Moves awards

Weaver, Bailey Wyatt; 3.0 Samuel Abendroth, Zachary James, Tyler Jourden, Jade Richards

4.1 Natoni Cundiff; 4.0 Domonic Cuthair, Cole McCaw, Johnny Valdez Jr.; 3.9 Parker Smithson; 3.8 Chasity Bean, Wren Bourriague, Gabriana Creason, Justis Logan, Karely Mendoza, Kendall Raby, Chloe Velasquez, Ada Wilmer; 3.7 Marcus Chapman; 3.6 Anastasia Ellison, Avionne Gomez, Keegan Richmond; 3.4 Gabriella Chiles, Darrius Daniels, Mitchell Neil, Tauno Wilmer Gallegos; 3.3 Da'Shonetta Lloyd, JadenMaez, Destinee Taylor-Aguilar; 3.2 Makayla Brown, Allisianna Marquez-Baker, Kruz Pardo, Destaney Reynolds, Kai Roubideaux; 3.0 Leela Rosa, Shoshone Thompson

#### CENTER BASE HONOR ROLL

Senior: 4.0 Cameron Francis; Junior: 4.0 Brandon Wade; Sophomores: 4.0 Briana Olguin, Ethan Wade; and Freshman: 3.4 Hailey Ruybal.

#### 3RD QUARTER STUDENT/TEACHER

Teacher of the Quarter: Bethany Bieth; Seniors: Amya Bison and Jack Frost; Juniors: Adelle Hight and Vernon Snodgrass; Sophomores: Isis Gonzales, Tyler Jourden; and Freshmen: Kendall Raby

Sacha Smith/SU Drum

## **GET INVOLVED!**

# Parenting in education

SU Education Dept. reports and presentations.

You have a direct impact on your student's success in school. These are just a few suggestions that can help you show your student how you support his/ her efforts in school.

#### PREPARE FOR **IMPORTANT DECISIONS**

As your student grows, **OUTLINE YOUR** he/she will have to make **EXPECTATIONS** important choices. Be a part of these choices by discussing classes, special projects, extracurricular activities and college preparation.

#### **DISCUSS ACADEMICS**

The more you are aware the better you can help prepare your student. Talk

By Michael Kirsch about upcoming exams,

Make sure your student understands the assignment or test materials and prepares. Ensure your student spends enough time on assignments and studying so he/she can provide quality work. If the student encounters problems with the work and help is needed, work together to find solutions.

- Be clear about homeexpectations: work Complete, on time, and of good quality.
- Set a time for your student to be home from school (or school activities) and a way to contact you if there is a delay.
- Be clear about family expectations and how

you want your child to uphold them.

#### **ESTABLISH LIMITS** AND BOUNDARIES

- Limit the amount of TV time
- Set boundaries on computer use and gaming, and monitor the use of the available technology in your home (use the parental control features if necessary)
- Set a cutoff time for phone use
- Establish a "lights out" time to ensure your student is getting enough sleep.

Find approaches and methods that work best for you and your student to establish a strong support system throughout your student's schooling. Success starts at home.



# **JOM Committee Meeting**

Monday April, 6 at 5:30 p.m. • Education Dept.

# Raising money for 'Gathering'



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Students in the Native American Youth Organization (NAYO) held a stew dinner Friday, March 27 at the Southern Ute Cultural Center and Museum to help raise funds for their trip to the Gathering of Nations Powwow at University of New Mexico's "The Pit" in Albuquerque, NM in late April.

# Families design; students race

Thompson, Alexis Pontine, Carrie Vogel, and Lexy Young.

Sixteen members of the Boys and Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe received recognition for completing the Skills Mastery And Resistance Training Moves program. The prevention/education program addresses problems such as drug and alcohol and promotes responsible behavior and abstinence from substance abuse. Club members received Kindle Fire's as a reward. Pictured (L to R) Evie Chamblee, Layla Cuthair, Mary Young, Yllana Howe, Edward III Box, Samarah Olguin, Franklin



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Students, start your engines! Southern Ute Head Start students, with help from their families constructed boxcars from cardboard boxes, decorated with various colored papers, stickers, and other materials, during "Family Night" in the head start gym Wednesday, March 25. The completed cars were then raced around the gym. All racers received a matchbox type car. A meal of pizza and salad was served prior to the construction and racing of the boxcars.





The pit crews, made up of family members got creative in their construction and design of their students boxcars.

Amanda Herrera and her Aubri "Peanut" work on their boxcar attaching paper plates for wheels to their number 5 pink car.

# Books? Academy's selling



photos Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

The Southern Ute Indian Montessori Academy hosted their annual book fair, Thursday, March 19 in the SUIMA cafeteria. The academy had a small performance





Books, books and more books were aplenty and food! The books were given to the academy for sale from Scholastic, with a percentage kept by the academy.

Seven-year-old, and Lower Elementary student, Davian Richards takes a closer look at a Star Wars book he's interested in buying at the book fair.

# **Sports**

### **IHS BOYS BASEBALL**

# Miller's Cats out to .400 start

By Joel Priest SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

No fewer than five decades' worth of combined experience in the game stood toe-to-toe Saturday, March 28 before witnesses privy to observe the outdoor spectacle.

A scaled-down, La Plata County, Colo., version of the 'Rumble in the Jungle,' to be sure.

And yes, baseball was also - probably - in the minds of Ignacio's Robert 'Big Hurt Bert' Miller and Durango's Tom 'Hears a Who' Horton while hearing the arbiters' final, pre-main event instructions.

Big Hrabosky - Fu Man- home side, DHS' JV. chu-style facial hair (silvery white, in this instance) ner at third in the bottom junior Austin McCaw. resembling that of Major of the first, the Demons League Baseball's 'Mad jumped on Bobcat fresh- 6-hole, Ignacio's Timmy Hungarian' reliever of the man Juanito Medina for Plehinger, Rain Rosa and 1970's and early 80's. And seven runs in the second, Alex Lopez (PH'ing at No. when both came out of the with right-handed pitcher 8) went down on strikes in meeting clean, this scribe Drew Selser (batting fifth the guests' last-gasp fifth incame out writin'.

action which then trans- 12-man at-bat. pired on Ward Lee Field,



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio pitching coach Clay Miller, a graduate of 3A Bayfield and 2013 MLB Draft selection of the Kansas City Royals, offers laasic Pena (3) a selection of baseballs with which to warm up upon his entry to the March 28 game versus the 4A Durango JV at Ward Lee Field. Miller, father Robert "Bert," and former BHS teammate Drake Rhodes comprise the Bobcats' varsity coaching staff in 2015.

Bowling's got 'The Big grounds, well, there wasn't off IHS senior Iaasic Pena, Lebowski'; this battle much to write home about and leftfielder Jake Bourwas about who had The - unless writing of the don doubled and scored the

Because in regards to the the first and last hits in a

Selser would again single

adjacent to the LPC Fair- in a four-run third inning engagement's twelveth and After stranding a run- final run in the fourth off

Pinch-hitting in Miller's in Horton's lineup) getting ning as Selser completed a splendid eight-K, two-walk

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### **IHS GIRLS SOCCER**

# Young IHS learning on the fly

By Joel Priest SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

Getting a friendly, sympathetic laugh out of field referee Larry Conrads, senior Krissy Velasquez's second-half scream of a request for Ignacio's defenders to clear the ball from just outside her goal box not only summarized how things were going Saturday, March 21, but also aptly captured the essence of inexperience -14 players listed as either freshmen or sophomores filling IHS' 2015 roster.

Which, for a perpetually fledgling program that graduated a near-starting lineup's worth of seniors last spring, isn't necessarily worrying to skipper Oscar Cosio and new assistant Nikki Pearson. Just, to a more veteran squad like Lindsey Kurt-Mason's - and most of the 3A/2ASouthwestern League, really - susceptible to and vulnerable against veritable cannonades like the Lady just the eighth minute and and making other essential Pirates' besieging them added another in the 26th stops, Velasquez finished upon IHS Field.

Sophomore Hayley Mitchell booked the first, and match-winning goal in



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Krissy Velasquez smothers a Pagosa Springs shot amongst both friend and foe during action at IHS Field on Saturday, March 21. She and defender Sarina Vigil are the only seniors listed on the 2015 roster.

on the Lady Bobcats' fast ficially but Springs senior turf pitch.

Between denying shots

to help PSHS prevail 10-0 with 27 total saves unof-

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## IHS GIRLS BASKETBALL

# Cotton's hoops profile still growing

All-Leaguer named All-2A by CCGS

By Joel Priest SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

On the Ignacio Volleycats' bench as team manager this past fall, but frequently seen working on her basketball handles by dribbling volleyballs when her services weren't requested by head coach Thad Cano, it was clear that for the upcoming winter there was but one thing on the mind of Sky Cotton.

Well, two: Successfully rehabilitating an injured knee, and reaching the 2015 State Championships.

The second goal unfortunately was denied - in the Region III Tournament, by Meeker – her, but the first ... Well, one could say her inclusion in the Colorado Coaches of Girls' Sports All-State Games proved she achieved it.

Named to the 'Blue' showcase, held Sunday morning, March 22 at Arvada West High School, IHS' senior point guard saw plenty of action early for head coach Alan Baer of Akron, with MHS catalyst Sydney Hughes suiting up for the Red (under lie Hinkhouse, Oak Creek was also a First Team selec-Hoehne's Beth Kreutzer).



Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

Ignacio's Sky Cotton (24) guns her motor to get around the Mancos defense during the 2A-District 3 Tournament in Cortez late in the 2014-15 season. Cotton was named First Team All-SJBL, and also received a nod to participate in the Colorado Coaches of Girls' Sports All-State [Class

marily supporting her one- **RELEASED** game teammates (AHS' Jordan Baer and Karli losing 45-42.

the Reds were HHS' As- 1A teams). pen Anderson and Cydney Kreutzer, Rye's Bryna Hilda Garcia, who paced Burns, Burlington's Bai- Ignacio in scoring average, Soroco's Jessica Rossi and tion along with Dickerson, But after a second-half Evergreen Clear Creek's

# ton was pressed into pri- ALL-LEAGUE ROSTER

Cotton was also a First Christensen, Iliff Caliche's Team All-San Juan Basin Shayln Johnson, Peyton's League choice, with Shane Sarah Logar, Byers' An- Seibel named Coach-ofdrea Poliakon, Yuma's Ka- the-Year after guiding trina Terrell and Ridgway's IHS to a 17-5 finish and crew in the Class 2A Rane Dickerson) from the the overall championship proverbial pine, and the of the dual-classification Blues came up just short in circuit (Norwood's Greg King was named COY Additional members of from amongst the loop's

IHS freshman forward

### FLC MENS BASKETBALL

# Herrera's star rises high in Indiana

Ex-Bobcat anchors D-II All-Stars

out with an Alex Herrera diana University of Penn-

Daktronics/NCAA All-America, as well as National Association of Basketball Coaches (NABC) All-South Central District, the former Ignacio High School Bobcat and current Fort Lewis College senior center was chosen for the NABC/ Reese's D-II All-Star Game on Friday, March 27.

And not only did he play, Tennessee's he dominated.

As the West Team's starter in the middle, Herrera played 24 minutes, shot 5-of-10 from the floor and knocked down his only two free throws to help the West Stars defeat the East, 140 to 112 – the comexceeding the announced count of patrons (244).

points and seven rebounds, while even swatting away two East shots inside the University of Evansville (Ind.) Purple Aces' Ford Center, with the excit-

There's going out with Florida Southern College Already named Second season's marbles, 77-62.

Division II Conference the one-off squad's first five 46 tries, for avideo game-Commissioners Association (coached by Regis Univerlike 56.5% efficiency from sity's Lonnie Porter), he was joined for the opening tip by Mitch McCarron of Metro State University of Denver, Aaron Harrison of Lynn (Boca Raton, Fla.) University, Dedric Ware of Rome, Georgia-based Shorter University and Trey Casey of Memphis, Christian Brothers University.

Overcoming a slim 63-59 halftime deficit, the West thoroughly dominated the second half, 81 to 49, as Herrera and friends finished the battle 53-of-89 (59.6 percent) from the field and bined point total amazingly a perfect 8-8 at the charity stripe.

He officially tallied 12 teammates all scoring in Bob Hofman. double figures, the West's 140 points eclipsed the pre-2009. Nailing seven of his nine three-point attempts ing clash held on the day makes and percentage), Haring up 687 points.

By Joel Priest between the D-II Tour- rison finished with a game-Special to the Drum nament's semifinals and best 25 points and tied the grand finale - in which record set in '06 by Western Washington University's a bang, and there's going (36-1 overall) defeated In- Ryan Diggs. All told, the West sank a record-tying sylvania (31-7) for all the 26 triples – one of ten ASG milestones either reached or The only non-guard in surpassed in the contest – in

beyond the arc. Collectively (42.4%) from downtown themselves, eight East squad members achieved double-digit point totals, led by the 20 of Egypt-born Minnesota State University-Mankato center/forward Assam Marei.

Three times the Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference's Defensive Player-of-the-Year and thrice a First Team All-RMAC selection, Herrera finished his final season averaging a 23.7-point, 11.6-rebound double-double while starting all 29 of FLC's games - in which the Skyhawks With Herrera and six won 20 – for longtime boss

He blocked 94 shots (3.2 per game), snared 335 vious high of 138 set in caroms, and shot 56.1% from the floor (230-of-410) and 67.3% (224-333) (setting new standards for from the foul line in rack-





# Local teams compete in MAYB action



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

The Rebels Basketball squad battle for the loose ball against the Alley Boys in 5th and 6th grade action during the Mid American Youth Basketball Tournament hosted by the SunUte Community Center, on Saturday, March 21,



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Cameron Richards (23) of the Rebels Basketball team defends a pass from a 505 Stars player in 5th and 6th grade play.



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

Calvin Joy of the Ignacio Chiefs, skies for the rebound against the Wildcats players in 7th and 8th grade action.



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

Nathaniel Hendren fast breaks down the court determined to score a basket for the Thunder at this year's MAYB Basketball Tournament Saturday, March 21 at Ignacio Middle School.



Trennie Collins/SU Drum

After winning their game, Thunder huddles around their coach Teresa Chee. Thunder ended up winning 2 games and losing 3.



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

The eighth grade, Ignacio Chiefs won the Mid American Youth Basketball tournament held at SunUte on Saturday, March 21, taking first place defeating the Ignacio Wildcats.



Robert L. Ortiz/SU Drum

The seventh grade, Ignacio Wildcats won second place in the Mid American Youth Basketball tournament, losing to the Ignacio Chiefs by a small margin.

# 2015 TRI-UTE GAMES

June 15 - 18 2015

Looking for Athletes, Coaches and Volunteers for the upcoming Tri-Ute Games

That will be held in Fort Duchesne, UT this summer!

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Who: Enrolled Tribal Members and Tribal Descendants

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# SunUte Solar Flares Youth Swim Team 2015

First Session

January 5th - February 28th

Second Session

April 6th—June 25th

Third Session

August 3rd-September 24th



Where: SunUte pool

TIME: Every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 4:30pm-6:00pm during a session.

Except on holidays.

COST: 830 registration fee per session. Free for SUIT Tribal Members.

SUNUTE MEMBERSHIP— All swimmers will be required to have a SunUte membership. Student rates are available. Free for SUIT Tribal Members.

AGE: For ages 8-18.

SWIM MEETS: There will be at least one meet at or near the end of each session.

There is an annual USA Swim registration fee required before swimmers can enter a sanctioned swim meet. See coach Lin for that registration form. A \$5 USA Swim fee is available to swimmers who qualify for the free lunch program.



For more information contact: Lisa Allen/Aquatics Coordinator (970)563-0214 ext. 2653



# **Voices**

## SU GROWTH FUND

# Owen appointed Finance Director

Staff report SU GROWTH FUND

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe announced today Darrell Owen has been appointed as the Finance Director for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Growth Fund. Mr. Owen will also serve as a member of the Growth Fund Management Committee and a manager of GFMC, LLC.

Mr. Owen brings over 15 years of financial and accounting experience to the position. He has worked for the Tribe for 11 years in various financial and accounting positions.



In the last four years Mr. Owen has served as the Chief Financial Officer of the Growth Fund. Prior to working for the Tribe, Mr. rector of the Growth Fund.

Owen spent eleven years in the downstream energy business in various management roles in finance, mergers and acquisitions, and operations. Mr. Owen holds a B.A. in Business Administration from Fort Lewis College.

"We are very excited to welcome Darrell to the Growth Fund Management Committee. He brings a lot of experience and thoughtful leadership. His experience with the Tribe gives him invaluable knowledge of both our operations and long-term growth objectives," said Bruce Valdez, Executive Di-

# THE COMMUNITY VOICE

#### NEWTON APPRECIATED

I never had the opportunity to meet with Jimmy Newton, unfortunately. But during my interaction with Southern Ute members and working for them, I've realize how tall his personality was, and the revolutionary impact he had on everyone he met, before his departure.

He understood the meaning of "Communities cannot be reformed without the reformation of its youth" very well, and thus with his keen interest he laid foundation to

groups like Boys and Girls Club and Youth Council ... etc.

He had a great sense of duty, sense of humor, respect for elders, and younger alike. Jimmy Newton had everlasting effect on tribe. People like him never die.

May we all model our lives from leaders like him! Amen.

> Anas Mangla, Clinical Information Technologist

#### HEAD START STAFF HONORED AT NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Six staff from SUCAP's Head Start/Early Head Start division attended the 34th Annual Native American Child and Family Conference held in Albuquerque, NM from March 15 through 19. The conference was hosted by the Southwest Consortium of Indian Head Start Programs.

Samuel Harrison, Family Advocate was deemed the "Grandfather of Head Start" and delivered the invocation. The staff listened to presentations from the Acting Director, Ann Linehan, from the Office of Head Start, the Region XI Program Manager, Captain Bob Bailas and the Honorable Rex Lee Jim, Assistant Superintendant of the Navajo Nation.

Throughout the week they attended workshops that were presented by National presenters as well as local program staff. This Conference is developed by Native American Head Start staff for Native American Head Start staff and their Child

During this conference the Southern Ute Montessori Head Start/Early Head Start recognized one of their exceptional grandparents, Joyce Delaware-Ford who is honored to be a grandmother and to be able to teach and guide the younger generation to carry on valuable traditions.

She has shown tremendous dedication and commitment to her family. She has made progress through the years in advocating for your grandchildren. Joyce is currently serving her second term on our Policy Committee and volunteers numerous hours in the classroom and on special events.

She is an active member of the Southern Ute community and serves on the Powwow Committee and dedicates a lot of her time traveling to Powwows and native ceremonies.



Samuel Harrison



Joyce Delaware-Ford

# **NEW EMPLOYEES**



#### Andrea M. Talley Job title: Dentist

Job duties: Serve the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and provide for their comprehensive Dental needs.

Hobbies: Mararthon & Ironman training, hiking, camping, rafting riding. Being outside with family and staying active. Family: Husband/Best friend, Robert Talley;

Dog/baby, Marty

# **STARWHEELS**

Horoscopes by "The Star Lady"

#### **Y** ARIES (March 21 – April 20)

SPARKLING BIRTHDAY WISHES TO YOU ARIES! A collection of Celestial events fill April's options. For starters, on the 2nd, a complimentary connection of the SUN to JUPITER lightens the mood between you and your S/O (significant other). It paves the way to more peaceful conversations. On the 4th the planetary set up is troublesome. A LUNAR ECLIPSE/FULL MOON in your partnership zone practically pushes you into taking an opposing point of view. Be tolerant Rams, it doesn't last long. There are other matters to focus on. Like happiness.

# **∀** TAURUS (April 21 – May 20)

As your yearly cycle winds down, some of the planets have been activating your worry zone. Do what you can to correct whatever issue needs your attention. There's no sense in promoting negativity. Instead, put positive, and productive thoughts into your personal atmosphere. MARS in your sign all month has a tendency to stir sensible ideas, and enlightenment. A creative are motivated. Focus, Focus, Focus. NEW MOON establishes a cycle of benefits.

# **Ⅱ GEMINI** (May 21 – June 21)

Your Zippy little planet MERCURY teams with the SUN, and URANUS in the Social Section of your Horoscope. They mix nicely with JUPITER in your talk zone. No doubt you'll be doing a great deal of that during the month. Pay special attention on the 2nd. MERCURY links with the Great Teacher SATURN. A wise decision can be made regarding someone close. On the 6th MERCURY connects with JUPITER the planet of luck, giving you the insight you've been waiting for. Harmony now rules.

# © CANCER (June 22 – July 22)

In the Astrological world, the sign of CANCER is known to be a water sign. A sentimental, emotional, and sometimes weepy sign. But don't get the wrong impression. A MOON KID can also be resolute, and deliberate in their actions. The 4th's LUNAR ECLIPSE activates important angles of your chart and clarifies important decisions. Stand your ground CANCER. Be calm and reasonable when discussing domestic changes. JUPITER encourages you to try new ventures after the 8th.

# **∂** LEO (July 23 – Aug. 22)

Because the SUN, your ruler, is being eclipsed by the MOON in LIBRA, your daily communications become a focal point. Naturally you will want to choose your words in a diplomatic manner. Be cooperative LIONS. Clearly express your intentions. The NEW MOON in ARIES on the 18th sows the seeds of fresh, and exciting ventures. Get off the Merry-Go-Round LEO people. It's time to move forward. JUPITER'S turn around on the 8th awakens your love of travel, and may have you looking forward to a delightful adventure that may have you feeling more optimistic about the future.

# **W VIRGO (Aug. 23 – Sept. 23)**

In spite of the MOON being about 238, 857 miles from Earth, its energy has a major influence on all Earthlings. The MOON will be exactly opposite the SUN on the 4th. This is commonly known as a FULL MOON. The important point is, the EARTH will pass between the MOON, and the SUN, creating a LUNAR ECLIPSE. This Eclipse will impact your financial section VIRGO. Be resourceful. Opportunities for advancement arise when VENUS enters GEMINI on the 11th.

### **<u>∩</u>** LIBRA (Sept. 24 – Oct. 23)

The LUNAR ECLIPSE/FULL MOON in your sign on the 4th ushers in the month on a very personal note. Now more than ever you are seeking satisfaction in your close relationships. Your usual tact and diplomacy might desert you. There's a possibility that you could accidentally blurt things out unintentionally, or say something mean. Resist the temptation LIBRA. It's in your own best interest to maintain a tranquil atmosphere. Pursue new interests, something the two of you can do together.

# **M. SCORPIO (Oct. 24 – Nov. 22)**

There are sound Astrological reasons why you need to pull it all together and just calm down this month. PLUTO will soon abandon its stand off with URANUS, and move on to the business at hand. Namely ... YOU. Forget the fixed mindset SCORPIO. The planets are encouraging you to change up your routine. Find healthier activities after the 18th. A highly up trouble. MERCURY slips into your sign on active NEW MOON kicks off a "Go Get Em" the 14th, and with it comes practical thought, energy. Just don't spread yourself too thin. You

# **★** SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 – Dec. 21)

Magnificent JUPITER comes out of its retrograde slumber April 8th. Be flexible Saggies, demanding SATURN currently living in your sign wants you to develop more patience this month. Curb the tendency to impulsively act first, and think later. The SUN, MERCURY, and URANUS in the sign of ARIES, (your cousin), highlight a sociable period. Love, romance, and entertaining activities are more to your Sagittarian liking. Initiate your goals after the 18th when the NEW MOON releases a very promising cycle.

# % CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 – Jan. 20)

Powerhouse PLUTO currently in your sign, is throwing down a challenge to the spring planets moving through the domestic area of your Horoscope. In simple terms, household matters arise, and you might find yourself playing referee. Try to maintain serenity CAPRICORN. Comfort the Elders, and settle problems in a tactful way. The point is to avoid being bossy, or controlling. A fine liaison between MERCURY and MARS on the 21st, and 22nd also includes PLUTO. Complete business before the 16th.

# **≈ AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 – Feb. 18)**

Just so you know AQUARIUS ... this month's main influence is the LUNAR ECLIPSE/ FULL MOON. But, there are other factors at work, namely the intense square-off between your ruling planet URANUS, and the planet PLUTO. Since last November these two planets have been creating discord in the charts of AQUARIAN folks. This is where the big news comes in. April is the month that finally separates them! A close relationship might deepen, and a certain friendship may fade. Get on with your goals.

# **ℋ PISCES (Feb. 19 – March 20)**

You are highly adaptable. Therefore it's in your best interest to settle any outstanding financial concerns before the 14th when MERCURY slips into TAURUS. Small changes regarding your economic situation are beneficial. There's a refreshing NEW MOON in your 2ND house of money and finance. It might inspire you with productive ideas. MARS in TAURUS all month could be pushing you to get involved in extra activities. Mind your speed while driving this month. Monetary prospects look promising.

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# Powwow season commences at Denver March



Miss Southern Ute, Ellie Siebel, and Miss Southern Ute Alternate, Autumn Medicine-Blanket, dance with pride and smiles during Grand Entry of the 41st annual Denver March Powwow at the Denver Coliseum on Friday, March 20.

The Southern Ute Drum

Shawl, jingle dress, fancy dance, and other traditional dance styles are among those performed by the dancers.

Traditional songs, dances, and various cultural activities fueled

the Denver Coliseum from March 20 to March 22 as part of the annual Denver March Powwow. Tribes from across the United States gathered for the celebration in their colorful regalia complete with shawls, jingle dresses, and bonnets. Southern Ute Royalty and Ute Mountain Ute Royalty were participants in the Grand Entry as they joined hundreds of

others for three days of festivities.

**Photos by Damon Toledo** 



The Denver March Powwow concluded with rousing applause and praise from audience members.



The vibrant regalia worn by the attending tribes dazzled the Denver Coliseum with an array of colors and imaginative designs.

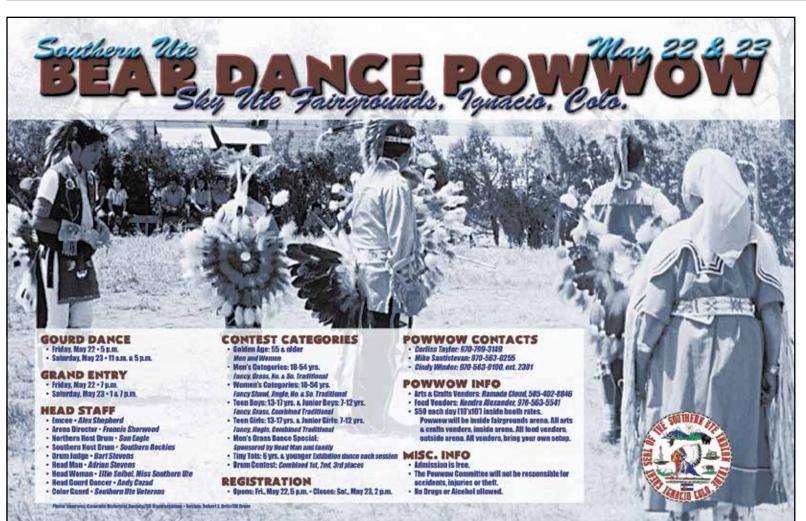


A traditional dancer keeps up with the blasting

A fancy dancer admires the arena crowd as the venue fills with the sounds of cheers and drum beats.



Bruce LeClaire, chief professional officer of the Boys and Girls Club of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, and Rudley Weaver (left) march with fellow veterans during Grand Entry.



## **Southern Ute** office closures

May 25: Memorial Day July 3: Independence Day (observed) July 13: Sun Dance Feast Sept. 7: Labor Day Nov. 11: Veteran's Day Nov. 26-27: Thanksgiving Dec. 10-11: Leonard C.

**Burch Day** 

Dec. 25: Christmas Southern Ute tribal office closures are posted on the Tribe's website

www.southernute-nsn.gov

Also find important info pertaining to the Tribe on Facebook at www.facebook.com/ southernute



# **Hunting**

#### HUNTING

# Hunting on the Southern Ute Reservation

Southern Ute Indian Tribal on-reservation Hunting Proclamation for 2015-2016

Hunt Date Summary		
	PICK-UP	SEASON DATES
DEER AND ELK	Aug. 10	
Early Archery		Aug.29- Sept.11
General		Sept.12 – Dec. 31
UPLAND GAME BIRDS	Aug.10	Sept.1 – Dec. 31
MOUNTAIN LION	Sept. 28	Nov.1- Aug. 14, 2016
SPRING TURKEY	March 30	April 4 – May 24
SMALL GAME	Anytime	Calendar Year
FALL TURKEY	Aug. 10	
Early Archery		Aug.29- Sept.11
General		Sept. 12 - Dec. 31
WATERFOWL & MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS	Aug. 10	See CPW season dates

#### 2015-2016 UPDATES REMINDERS

#### **Bobcat Seals**

Bobcats can be sealed at the Tribal Wildlife office. Hunters or trappers wishing to ship their bobcat hides to a tannery or a taxidermist must have their hides validated with a federal CITES seal. Formerly this could only be done at the State CPW office, but this can now be taken **LEGAL WEAPONS** care of on the reservation.

#### **Trapping Regulation Change**

Trappers are required to check their traps on at least 24-hour schedule. In addition traps must be marked with the trapper's name and phone number. This I.D. can be engraved into a trap, attached as a tag etc. as long as enforcement is able to identify who the trap belongs to.

## **Guiding and Outfitting**

Guides and outfitters must be permitted by the Division of Wildlife Resource Management before operating on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. To obtain a guiding and outfitting permit or to acquire a list of permitted guides and outfitters, contact the Division of Wildlife Resource Management.

# Carrying a Tribal I.D. while in the field

To assist Tribal Rangers it is a good idea to carry your tribal I.D. while hunting on the reservation. Simply carrying your I.D. will immediately identify you as a Tribal Member, who with the proper permits is legal to be hunting on the reservation. Contact time may be somewhat longer if you do not carry your tribal I.D.

# **HUNTING PERMITS**

# **Southern Ute Tribal Members**

The following conditions must be met to obtain Southern Ute Tribal Member hunting permits:

- 1. Must be an enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member 12 years old or older and be able to present an enrollment card at the time permits are picked up.
- 2. Hunters under the age of 21 must possess a hunter safety card and must present it at the time permits are picked up.
- 3. Issued permits must be signed by the applicant.
- 4. Mail-out permits will be provided to non-resident Tribal Members only after receiving a letter including the Tribal Member's name, date of birth, copies of their enrollment card and hunter safety education card (if applicable), and a list of permits desired. Permits will not be valid until signed by the applicant.

## **Duplicate Permits**

Lost or destroyed hunting permits will be replaced by the Division of Wildlife Resource Management for a cost of \$5 per permit.

#### New Address/Telephone **Driver's License Information**

If you held a previous year's hunting permit and your home address, telephone number, or driver's license information has changed, you are required to provide the new information to the Division of Wildlife Resource Management.

Legal weapons for mule deer, elk and mountain lion shall include:

- 1. Shotguns of 20 gauge or larger firing a
- 2. Any bow with at least 40 pounds of draw weight. Hunting arrows must include a broadhead with an outside cutting diameter of at least 7/8 of an inch with at least 2 blades. Each cutting edge must be within the same plane throughout the length of the cutting surface. Unless specifically approved by the Management Division, crossbows are illegal during the early archery season;
- 3. Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 lbs, and a minimum draw length of 14 inches from the front of the bow to the nocking point of the drawstring. A positive mechanical safety device is required. Bolts must be a minimum of 16 inches long, having a broadhead a minimum of 7/8 inch wide and a minimum of 2 cutting blades. Cutting edges of broadheads must be in the same plane for the entire length of the cutting surface.
- 4. Muzzleloading rifles with a single barrel of at least .40 caliber for deer, and .50 caliber for elk;
- 5..357 magnum or larger handguns with a barrel length of 6 inches or longer, using .357 magnum or larger caliber ammunition with soft nose or hollow point
- 6. Center-fire rifles or center-fire handguns chambered for a center-fired cartridge, a minimum of .23 caliber. No fully automatic firearm may be used. All bullets must be soft nose or hollow pointed and not weigh more than 350 grains.

# Legal weapons for turkey shall include:

Turkeys may be hunted with shotguns except .410 gauge; bow and arrow, crossbow; rifles and handguns, center-fired cartridges only; and Muzzleloading rifles and

# Legal weapons for waterfowl shall include:

Any shotgun 10 gauge or smaller and not capable of holding more than 3 shotshells in the chamber and magazine combined. Shotshells must not contain lead pellets.

#### Legal weapons for small game (including upland birds) shall include:

Any rimfire or center-fire rifle or handgun, any shotgun, any bow and arrow or

#### Mule Deer and Elk 2015 Season Dates Archery: Aug. 29 - Sept. 11 General: Sept. 12 - Dec. 31 **Permits Issued** Beginning Aug. 10 **Bag Limits** 3 Mule Deer (1 Buck and 2 Does\*\*) (1 Bull and 3 Cows\*\*) \*\* Tribal Members must have their first doe or cow validated to receive their second doe or cow tag and have their second cow validated to receive their third cow tag.

# **HUNTER SAFETY REQUIREMENTS**

#### **Hunter Safety Requirements**

All hunters under the age of 21 years must have successfully completed a hunter safety education course prior to issuance of permits. Hunters under age 21 must present their hunter safety education card to the Division of Wildlife Resource Management when acquiring permits and must carry the card with them while hunting. The DWRM offers hunter education classes twice per year. Please contact the office for more information.

#### **Hunters Under Age 18**

Hunters under 18 years of age may hunt regulated species only when accompanied by an adult.

#### **DESIGNATED HUNTING**

#### Designating Enrolled Southern Ute **Tribal Members**

Enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members over the age of 12 may designate another enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member who meets the hunting permit eligibility requirements to hunt for them during the regular hunting season. Southern Ute Tribal Members who wish to designate another Southern Ute Tribal Member must pick up and sign their own permits, and the Division of Wildlife Resource Management will place the name of the designated hunter on permits at that time. Designated hunters will only be allowed to harvest female deer and elk, or turkey of either sex during the general fall Southern Ute Tribal Member hunting season. Designated hunters will not be allowed for any other form of hunting.

#### Designating Division of Wildlife Resource Management

The Division of Wildlife Resource Management will provide designated hunting services to enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Member elders (55 years of age or older), single women, or physically disabled individuals. Requests must be made to the Division of Wildlife Resource Management, and all animals will be harvested during the regular Southern Ute Tribal Member hunting season.

#### TAGGING AND VALIDATION **REQUIREMENTS**

# **Tagging Requirements**

All big game must be tagged by the person who harvested the animal. The hunter must physically notch (cut) the Month and Day of harvest on the tag, and sign the permit in Ink immediately after harvesting the animal. The hunter must then remove the tag from its backing and affix to the carcass.

All big game animals must be securely tagged with the carcass tag prior to transportation. If numerous trips are required to remove the carcass from the field, the tag should remain attached to the portion of the carcass left in camp or in a vehicle.

There is an additional "Antler Tag" attached to the carcass tag. This was developed for Tribal Members to be able to have proof of legal harvest on both a set of antlers (or horns) and on a carcass if the two are separated. The antler tag should be affixed to antlers kept at a residence or brought to a taxidermist.

**<u>Validation</u>** is the inspection of a harvested animal and may or may not be required depending on the species or hunt type. Part of the validation process may also require the hunter obtaining a validation tag as proof of inspection prior to the hunter leaving the reservation with the harvested animal. For further information regarding validations and validation tags, please contact the DWRM within 24 hrs of harvesting an animal.

#### **EVIDENCE OF SEX REQUIREMENTS**

Evidence of the sex of harvested mule deer, elk, wild turkeys, and mountain lions must remain naturally attached to carcasses while transporting animals from the field, while in camp, or until the animal is validated (if necessary). Evidence of sex for mule deer and elk include the head and/or the testicles or udder. Evidence of sex for wild turkeys is the beard (for males). For mountain lions, the reproductive organs of both males and females must be left attached for sex identification purposes.

#### **GUIDING AND OUTFITTING**

Guides and outfitters must be permitted by the Division of Wildlife Resource Management before operating on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. To obtain a guiding and outfitting permit or to acquire a list of permitted guides and outfitters, contact the Division of Wildlife Resource Management. Illegal guiding and outfitting on the reservation is a serious offense with consequences for both the hunter and the person providing the guiding or outfitting services. Please contact the Wildlife Division immediately if you suspect illegal guiding and outfitting is taking place on the reservation.

#### **ACCOMPANY CROSSING PERMITS**

The Division of Wildlife Resource Management issues crossing permits to non-Southern Ute Tribal Members to accompany permitted hunters while hunting. Persons holding crossing permits may not hunt or carry a firearm of any type while accompanying a permitted hunter. Persons holding a crossing permit may not provide specialized guiding and outfitting-type assistance to permitted hunters. Contact the DWRM for more details on crossing permits or to have crossing permits issued.

Non-Southern Ute Tribal Members who are not in the immediate family of a Southern Ute Tribal Member hunter must acquire a crossing permit so that they may accompany the permitted Southern Ute Tribal Member while hunting. Non-Southern Ute Tribal Members who are in the immediate family of a permitted Southern Ute Tribal Member hunter may accompany the hunter without obtaining a crossing permit. For the purposes of accompany crossing permits, immediate family is considered a spouse, mother, father, son, daughter, brother, sister, grandparent, grandchild, son in-law, daughter in-law or legal guardian of the permitted Southern Ute Tribal Member hunter. Note that a maximum of two permittees at a time are allowed per Southern Ute hunter and the crossing permit will be valid for 30 days or until the end of the hunt season, whichever comes first. Cost for crossing permits will be \$20 per permittee, and each permit is valid for accompanying a single specified Tribal member hunter.

# Validation Requirements

Depending on the season and species hunted, validation of harvested animals may be required. Guidelines vary and are given in detail by species and hunting season as follows.

- Early Archery mule deer, elk, and turkey: Mandatory Validation
- General mule deer and elk, fall and spring turkey: Voluntary Validation Tribal member hunters are not required to have mule deer, elk or turkeys validated prior to off reservation transport. Hunters wishing to have their animals validated should make arrangements with DWRM staff during regular business hours.
- Doe mule deer and cow elk: Mandatory Validation Exception Hunters planning to pick up a second doe tag or a second or third cow elk tags must have their does or cows validated prior to picking up additional tags.
  - **Mountain Lion: Mandatory Validation**

Validation must take place within 24 hours of the kill. Contact the Division of Wildlife Resource Management or Southern Ute Tribal Rangers during regular business hours or contact Southern Ute Dispatch outside of regular business hours to arrange validation.

Upland game birds, waterfowl and small game: No Validation Required

Spring Turkey 2015	
Season Dates	April 4 – May 24
Permits Issued	Beginning March 30
Bag Limits	1 bearded turkey. No beard length restrictions, but a harvested bird must have a beard naturally attached

	Fall Turkey 2015
Season Dates	Early Archery: Aug. 29 - Sept. 11
	General: Sept. 12 - Dec. 31
Permits Issued	Beginning Aug. 10
Bag Limits	1 Turkey (either sex)

# HUNTING ON THE SOUTHERN UTE RESERVATION • FROM PAGE 11

#### SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL SEASON DATES AND BAG LIMITS (ENROLLED SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL MEMBERS ONLY, UNLESS SPECIFIED)

#### **Open Areas**

Open areas for huntable species shall include all lands within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. For private, assigned and allotted lands, hunters must first obtain written access permission from the landowner. For USFS lands and Navajo State Park lands contact the respective agencies for information pertaining to access restrictions.

#### **Closed Areas**

Closed areas shall include all grounds immediately surrounding the Lake Capote Recreation Area including the campground. For precise boundaries contact the do so for their own safety in the field. Wildlife Division.

#### ADDITIONAL HUNTING REGULATIONS

A complete listing of regulations pertaining to hunting on the Southern Ute Indian reservation is contained in Title 13: Wildlife Conservation Code. Contact the DWRM for a current copy of Title 13 or visit our website: www.southern-ute.nsn. us/wrmweb/. Additionally the Division has any type of firearm from a motor vehicle to

a limited number of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Wildlife Laws Handbook 2008 available to Tribal hunters. Please ask about them in the Wildlife office.

#### Failure to wear Daylight or Fluorescent Orange Garments

During the big game hunting season it is unlawful to hunt with a firearm unless the person hunting is wearing a head covering and an outer garment above the waistline, both of solid daylight fluorescent orange color, totaling five hundred (500) square inches or more of clothing. Penalties include a \$50 fine and 5 points towards permit revocation. Persons specifically hunting for fall turkey, or specifically hunting for mountain lions when big game seasons are running concurrently are not required to wear blaze orange, but are encouraged to

#### **Failing to Tag Wildlife Properly**

It is unlawful for any person to fail to tag wildlife properly. In its simplest form tagging means to sign and punch the dates on your tag and affix it to the animal's carcass. Penalties include a \$100 fine and 10 points towards permit revocation.

#### **Shooting from a Motor Vehicle**

It is unlawful for any person to shoot

take wildlife. Penalties include a \$300 fine of the lake (running east/west) defines the and 15 points towards permit revocation.

# Wastage of Game Meat/Abandoning a

It is unlawful to abandon any edible portion of wildlife or permit it to go to waste. Penalties for big game include a \$1,000 fine and 15 points. Other wildlife includes a \$250 fine and 15 points towards permit revocation.

Additionally it is unlawful to take any wildlife and abandon the carcass or take wildlife only for the head, claws, teeth, AUTHORITY hide, antlers, horns, tusks, or organs with the intent to abandon the carcass or to mutilate any living wildlife. Penalties include fines ranging from \$25 - \$20,000 and 25 points towards permit revocation.

# Closure of Lake Capote Recreation Area

The Lake Capote Recreation Area will be closed to all hunting. Hwy 160 borders the closure area on the north and Hwy 151 on the west. The range fence directly south

southern boundary and the east boundary will follow the eastern bank of Stolsteimer Creek running north.

#### **Off-road Travel on Tribal Lands**

It is unlawful to travel off of established roads and two-tracks with any vehicle while on Tribal lands. This includes ATVs. Penalties include a \$100 fine and 5 points towards permit revocation.

These hunting regulations are approved by the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council under authority as outlined in Title 13, Article 1, Section 13-1-106, Subsections (1) through (3); Article 2, Section 13-2-101, Subsections (1) through (5); Article 2, Section 13-2-104; Article 2, Section 13-2-105, Subsections (1) through (3); of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Code revised and amended by Tribal Resolution No's. 89-34, 01-69, and 02-215.

Mountain Lion 2015 – 2016	
Season Dates	Nov. 1, 2015 – August 14, 2016 or until the harvest quota is filled
Permits Issued	Beginning Sept. 28
Bag Limits	1 mountain lion (either sex).

Dogs: Using trained hunting dogs in the take and attempted take of mountain lions will be allowed.

Restrictions: It is unlawful to kill mountain lion kittens or female mountain lions accompanied by kittens. Kittens are defined as mountain lions exhibiting visible spotting of the fur. Female mountain lions accompanied by kittens are defined as female mountain lions that have kittens traveling with them or dependent on them.

Harvest Quotas: 7 mountain lions total or 4 female mountain lions

It is the hunter's responsibility to call the harvest quota information line to check the status of harvest quotas and hunt area closures prior to hunting. Call (970) 563-0130 any time for quota status.

\*\*\*The mountain lion hunting season will remain open until the season ending date or until the harvest quota is filled, whichever comes first.

Crossing Permits and Guiding and Outfitting for lions: Non-members accompanying Tribal Member lion hunters must possess a Hunter Accompany Crossing Permit, which can be purchased from the Wildlife Division. The Crossing Permit is specifically to accompany a permitted hunter while hunting on Tribal land. The permittee is expressly prohibited from carrying a firearm, or providing hunter assistance in the form of equipment, specially trained dogs, pack animals, or other similar types of hunting aids commonly provided by professional guides and outfitters.

# Black Bear 2015 · No Open Season

Game Birds and Waterfowl 2015	
Upland Game Birds including dusky grouse and quail	
Season Dates	Sept. 1 – Dec. 31
Permits Issued	Beginning Aug. 10
Bag Limits	Dusky Grouse: 3 birds per day
	Quail: 8 birds per day
Migratory Game birds including doves, pigeons, rails and snipe	
Permits Issued	Beginning Aug. 10

Migratory game bird season dates and bag limits will coincide with season framework and the State of Colorado migratory bird hunting seasons. Please obtain and read the Colorado Parks and Wildlife 2015 Small Game Hunting Brochure for more information regarding migratory game birds.

	Waterfowl including ducks, geese and coots
Permits Issued	Beginning Aug. 10

Waterfowl season dates and bag limits will coincide with the Pacific flyway season framework and the State of Colorado waterfowl hunting seasons. Please obtain and read the Colorado Parks and Wildlife 2015 Waterfowl Hunting Brochure for more information. Waterfowl hunters are required to obtain a federal duck stamp before hunting waterfowl (available at the Post Office).

# Civil Penalties connected to Poaching

Schedule of Civil Penalties Connected to Poaching Convictions on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation

Big Game		
Mule Deer	Trophy Buck (24" or greater inside spread)	\$10,000
	Buck	\$5,000
	Doe	\$1,000
Elk	Trophy Bull (6 or more point count on one antler)	\$10,000
	Bull	\$5,000
	Cow	\$1,000
Mountain Lion		\$5,000
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\*\*Additional penalties associated with poaching convictions often include point accrual and revocation of hunting and fishing privileges on the Southern Ute Indian reservation for 2 - 5 years\*7

## **Small game including Furbearers** 2015

Small game shall include beaver, badger, bobcat, coyote, fox species, muskrat, prairie dogs, rabbits and hares, raccoon, ringtail, squirrel species, and weasel species.

Permits Issued	Permits may be picked up at anytime during the calendar year. The season runs year-round.
Bag Limits	While no bag limits apply to small game species, certain rules and regulations do apply to trapping:

#### Trapping Regulations

- 1. Permission from assignee to trap: No person shall trap furbearers on assigned property of another without the permission of the assignee or person in charge of the property.
- 2. Interference with traps: It is unlawful to interfere with, disturb, remove or otherwise molest any trap, snare or other device lawfully set by a trapper, or remove any furbearer from said devices.
- 3. Unattended traps: It is the duty of a trapper to endeavor to prevent undue suffering by wildlife captured or trapped. It is unlawful for any person to set a trap and leave it unattended in excess of twenty-four (24) hours unless chemical or mechanical methods are provided to prevent suffering of trapped animals.
- 4. Traps in the field: Traps must have identification of the trapper attached and available for enforcement to see upon checking the trap. Identification must include the trapper's name and phone number. Identification methods can include engraving into a trap or attaching an identification tag (metal preferred). Other methods can be acceptable as long as the tag is visible for inspection

HUNTING

# Hunting the Brunot area

2015-2016 Brunot are hunting and fishing seasons

#### INTRODUCTION TO BRUNOT **AREA HUNTING & FISHING**

In 1873, the confederated bands of Utes ceded a large portion of their 1868 reservation to the Federal government under a treaty commonly known as the "Brunot Agreement". This ceded area - or "Brunot Area" - is approximately 3.7 million acres of the San Juan Mountain region within the State of Colorado. The Agreement represented a major loss to the reservation land base, and was yet another blow to the Utes' traditional hunting-and-gathering way of life.

Included within the 1873 Agreement was an important provision reserving for the Utes the right to "hunt upon said land so long as the game lasts and the Indians are at peace with the white people." Despite the continued loss of lands, the

corresponding reduction in the size of the Ute reservation, and the re-location of certain Ute bands outside of Colorado - this reserved right within the Brunot Area has remained undiminished to this day. Based on historical evidence and testimonials from Ute elders, this reserved right includes not only hunting but also fishing and gathering activities by which the Utes supported themselves in the region for centuries prior to the Agreement.

In 2008, the Southern Ute Indian Tribe entered a new agreement – this time with the State of Colorado - addressing the Tribe's exercise of its long-held Brunot Area hunting and fishing rights. This agreement - or Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) - details how the Tribe and

Brunot area page 14

# **Brunot Area Hunting and Fishing Seasons** 2015-2016

Season Type	Permitting Start Date	Season Dates
Spring Turkey	March 30	April 4 – May 24
Mule Deer Rocky Mtn. Elk Fall Turkey	Aug. 10	Aug. 29 – Nov. 15
Bighorn Sheep Mountain Goat Moose	August 10***	Aug. 29 – Oct. 8 (Sheep) Sept. 8 – Oct. 31 (Goat) Sept. 12 – Oct. 14 (Moose)
Mountain Lion	Sept. 28	Nov. 1 – April 30, 2016
Upland Game Birds	Aug. 10	Sept. 1 – Dec. 31 (Grouse, Ptarmigan, Pheasant and Chukar)
Waterfowl and Migratory Game Birds	Aug. 10	Waterfowl season dates and bag limits will coincide with the Pacific and Central flyway season framework and the State of Colorado waterfowl hunting seasons.
Small Game	Anytime	Calendar Year
Fishing	Anytime	Calendar Vear

\*\*\*Permitting for these rare game species takes place through a special application and drawing process each spring. For more information, see Rare Game Permitting.

# **Hunting**

# HUNTING THE BRUNOT AREA • FROM PAGE 12

State approach Brunot Area hunting, fishing, and wildlife law enforcement, and expresses the intent of both governments to work cooperatively toward long-term conservation of wildlife within the Brunot Area. With the completion of the MOU, Tribal Members are once again able to exercise the Tribe's long-held rights to hunt and fish within the Brunot Area, in accordance with regulations established by the Tribe.

This is an annual proclamation, approved by the Southern Ute Tribal Council, and applies only to hunting and fishing by enrolled Southern Ute Tribal Members within the Brunot Area. For more information, please contact the Tribe's Division of Wildlife Resource Management.

#### SEASON FRAMEWORK

Hunting and fishing seasons are established annually by the Tribe for all game species found within the Brunot Area. The table found on the inside cover of this proclamation specifies the current seasons (i.e., the start and end dates for legal harvest), as well as the permitting start dates. Most seasons will be the same or very similar from year to year, however, dates of several seasons may vary slightly.

Those animal species not identified as having designated seasons, and those not protected by the Tribe from harvest for cultural or conservation reasons (see Protected Fish & Wildlife), may be harvested without a Tribe-issued hunting or fishing permit.

#### **Cultural and Ceremonial Hunting**

Those Tribal hunters wishing to hunt for cultural or ceremonial purposes within the Brunot Area and outside of the regular, Tribal-approved seasons must contact the SUIT Division of Wildlife prior to hunting. Special authorization is required for any hunting outside of the established seasons, and at least two weeks advance notice of a cultural/ceremonial hunting need should be provided.

### **PERMITTING**

All Tribal Members hunting or fishing within the Brunot Area must carry with them the appropriate permit(s) issued by either the Tribe or State of Colorado. Tribal Members who obtain Tribal permits are subject to the Tribal seasons and regulations set forth in this Proclamation, to be enforced by the Tribe. Those who obtain State hunting or fishing permits must hunt or fish in accordance with State seasons and regulations (see the Colorado Parks and Wildlife), which will be enforced by the State. It is unnecessary, but allowable, for a hunter or angler to be permitted by

On-Reservation hunting and fishing permits (i.e., within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation) and off-Reservation hunting and fishing permits for the Brunot Area are separate and non-interchangeable. It is the responsibility of each hunter and angler to be properly permitted for the area hunted or fished, and to follow any and all applicable regulations for that area.

Permitting for Brunot Area hunting and fishing is managed entirely through the Tribe's Division of Wildlife office, located in the Annex Building on the tribal government campus near Ignacio, Colorado. Permits may be obtained in-person at this office or by mail for those Tribal Members living outside the Reservation area.

Brunot Area hunting and fishing permits are issued free-of-charge for the first issuance. A \$5 fee applies for replacement of lost or damaged permits.

# 2015-16 Permitting Start Dates

Brunot Area hunting and fishing permits are available to pick up at the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife office (or mail out) beginning on the start dates specified on the inside cover of this Proclamation through the end of the established season. Note: Except for Fishing and Small Game, the permitting start dates do not correspond to the actual season start dates.

For Rare Game (i.e., bighorn sheep, moose, mountain goat), successful applicants in a lottery process will be notified of their permit availability through the Division of Wildlife following permit drawings held each June.

#### **Permit Eligibility**

Only Southern Ute Tribal Members may obtain Brunot Area hunting and fishing permits from the Tribe and the following criteria must be met in order to obtain a valid permit:

- All applicants must present a Southern Ute Tribal identification card at the time of per-
- For hunting, but not fishing, only applicants 12 years old or older may obtain a permit, and those under the age of 21 must present a hunter safety card.
- The applicant's hunting and fishing privileges must not be currently suspended or revoked through the Tribe's wildlife penalty-point system.
- · Issued permits are not valid unless signed by the applicant.

#### **Permit Transferability**

The transfer of Brunot Area hunting and fishing permits is strictly prohibited, even to other Southern Ute Tribal Members or other Native Americans. Only the individual named on the Brunot Area permit is authorized to hunt or fish, per the terms of the permit. "Designated hunting" - the transfer of certain permit types between Tribal Members - is an option only for on-Reservation hunting (i.e., hunting within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Reservation) and is not allowed within the Brunot Area.

#### **Mail-Out Permits**

Mail-out permit(s) will be provided at nocost by the SUIT Division of Wildlife only to a non-local Tribal Member and only upon receipt of a signed letter of request from the Tribal Member. The letter must include the hunter's name, mailing address, date of birth, copies of the Southern Ute Tribal identification card and hunter safety education card (if applicable), and a list of the permit(s) desired. Permits will not be valid until signed by the applicant.

#### **Permit Replacement**

Lost or damaged Brunot Area permits may be obtained at the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife office for a \$5 per permit fee, regardless of permit type. Lost or damaged permits will be immediately voided, and notification of voided permits will be sent to tribal law enforcement.

# **Rare Game Permitting**

Unlike other Brunot Area permitting, permitting for Rare Game (i.e., Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep, moose, and mountain goat) is handled through a permit application and drawing process. Availability of applications will be announced through local media in the Ignacio area, and applications will only be accepted during the month of May. Random drawings from among the applicants will then determine the recipients of a very limited number of hunting permits. Notification of these individuals will occur during the month of June. Those who repeatedly apply but do not receive a permit will accrue bonus points, which will improve future chances of selection.

For detailed information on the rules governing the Tribal Council-approved lottery process and bonus point system, please contact the Southern Ute Division of Wildlife office.

## **Daily Bag Limits for Upland Gamebirds and** Waterfowl

Upland	Gamebirds

Dusky Grouse, Ptarmigan, 3 of each Pheasant, Chukar

# Waterfowl and Migratory game birds

Waterfowl and migratory game bird season dates and bag limits will coincide with the Pacific and Central flyway season framework and the State of Colorado waterfowl hunting seasons. Please obtain and read the Colorado Parks and Wildlife 2015 Waterfowl Hunting Brochure for more information. Waterfowl hunters are required to obtain a federal duck stamp before hunting waterfowl (available at any Post Office).

# Season Bag Limits for Big Game, Rare Game,

and Small Game	
Hunt Type	Bag Limit (per hunter)
Mule Deer	2 (1 buck and 1 doe)
Rocky Mtn. Elk	2 (1 bull and 1 cow)
Mountain Lion	1 (either sex)
Fall Turkey	1 (either sex)
Spring Turkey	1 (bearded gobbler)
Bighorn Sheep (Two permits available for 2015)	1 (either sex)
Mountain Goat (Two permits available for 2015)	1 (either sex)
Moose (One permit available for 2015)	1 (either sex)
Small Game <sup>1</sup>	Unlimited
<sup>1</sup> Small Game includes: bobcat covote fox all wease	ls (except river otter) ringtail

Small Game includes: bobcat, coyote, fox, all weasels (except river otter), ringtail, raccoon, prairie dog, beaver, muskrat, rabbit/hare, marmot, and tree squirrel.

#### **HUNTING REGULATIONS**

Presented in this section are the 2015/16 Tribal-approved regulations pertaining to the harvest of Brunot Area Big Game, Rare Game, Small Game, Upland Gamebirds, and Waterfowl.

#### **Legal Weapons**

Legal weapons for harvesting mule deer, elk, mountain lion, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, and moose shall include:

- Any bow with at least 40 pounds of draw weight. Hunting arrows must include a broadhead with an outside cutting diameter of at least 7/8 inch with at least 2 blades. Each cutting edge must be within the same plane throughout the length of the cutting surface:
- · Crossbows with a minimum draw weight of 125 lbs, and a minimum draw length of 14 inches from the front of the bow to the nocking point of the drawstring. A positive mechanical safety device is required. Bolts must be a minimum of 16 inches long, having a minimum broadhead width of 7/8 inch, and a minimum of 2 cutting blades. Cutting edges of broadheads must be in the same plane for the entire length of the cutting surface;
- Shotguns of 20 gauge or larger firing a sin-
- · Muzzleloading rifles with a single barrel of at least .40 caliber for deer, and .50 caliber
- .357 magnum or larger handguns with a barrel length of 6 inches or longer, using .357 magnum or larger caliber ammunition with soft nose or hollow point bullets;
- Center-fire rifles or center-fire handguns chambered for a center-fired cartridge, a minimum of .23 caliber. No fully automatic firearm may be used. All bullets must be soft nose or hollow pointed and not weigh more than 350 grains.

Legal weapons for turkey shall include:

· Shotguns except .410 gauge; bows and crossbows (i.e., as specified above for deer, elk, etc.); rifles and handguns, center-fired cartridges only; and muzzleloading rifles and handguns;

Legal weapons for waterfowl shall include:

· Any shotgun 10 gauge or smaller and not capable of holding more than 3 shotshells in the chamber and magazine combined. Shotshells must not contain lead pellets.

Legal weapons for small game and upland gamebirds shall include:

· Any rimfire or center-fire rifle or handgun, any shotgun, and any bow and arrow or

# **Evidence of Sex**

Evidence of sex for harvested mule deer, elk, mountain lion, turkey, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, and moose must remain naturally attached to carcasses while transporting animals from the field, while in camp, or until the animal is validated (if required). Evidence of sex will include the head and/or testicles or udder. For mountain lions, the reproductive organs of both male and female must be left attached for identification purposes. For wild turkey the beard must remain attached.

# **Carcass Tagging**

The carcass of a harvested large game animal (i.e., mule deer, elk, mountain lion, turkey, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, or moose) must be tagged by the person who harvested the animal. The hunter must physically notch (cut) the Month and Day of harvest indicated on the permit and sign the permit in ink immediately after harvesting the animal. The hunter must then remove the permit face (i.e., the "tag") from its backing and affix it to the carcass.

All big game animals must be securely tagged with the carcass tag prior to transportation. If numerous trips are required to remove the carcass from the field, the tag should remain attached to the portion of the carcass that is first brought to camp or to a vehicle.

For antlered animals (i.e., buck deer, bull elk, bull moose) and horned animals (i.e., bighorn sheep and mountain goat), an optional antler/ horn tag is also provided as a tear-off portion of the permit. The antler/horn tag should be used if the head and carcass are to be separated (e.g., if the head is going to a taxidermist and the carcass is going to a meat processor).

# **Deer & Elk Harvest Reporting**

Hunters are required to report - by phone, writing, or in-person - the successful harvest of any mule deer or elk from the Brunot Area. Hunters should be prepared to describe generally where and when an animal was harvested. Reporting must occur within five business days of harvest during regular business hours. Failure to report the successful harvest of any mule deer or elk from the Brunot Area could subject the hunter to penalties under the Tribe's Wildlife Conservation Code.

#### Rare Game and Mountain Lion Harvest Validation

Hunters are required to have validated any mountain lion, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, or moose harvested from the Brunot Area. Validation is the physical inspection of the carcass by staff of the Tribal Division of Wildlife. Since Tribal staff is not available for weekend validations, animals must be brought in for validation during regular business hours (Monday - Friday, 8 a.m. – 12 p.m., 1 p.m. – 5 p.m.).

- For mountain lion, the carcass must be inspected within 48 hours of the harvest. The hunter must present the carcass with skin attached.
- For bighorn sheep and mountain goat, the carcass must be inspected within five business days of the harvest. The hunter must present the carcass with head (skull or cape) intact. If the harvested animal is a ram bighorn sheep, the Tribal Division of Wildlife will affix a permanent mark (plug) to the horn as proof of legal harvest.
- For moose, the carcass must be inspected within five business days of the harvest. The hunter must present the head of the moose for inspection.

#### **Mountain Lion Hunting**

Mountain lion hunting in the Brunot Area is divided into four separate units, and each unit has an associated harvest quota. The mountain lion season is open either until the season end-date or until the unit quota is filled, whichever occurs first. If the quota for a unit is filled, the season will immediately close for that unit. A Brunot Area lion permit is valid for hunting in all units that have not reached the designated harvest quota. Please refer to the mountain lion unit map in this Proclamation for the location of each unit.

Lion hunters should be aware that Lion Unit 1 (L1) encompasses both the Southern Ute Indian Reservation and a portion of the Brunot Area. Even though L1 is a combination of Reservation and Brunot lands, lion hunting on the Reservation portion requires a reservation permit, while lion hunting in the Brunot portion requires a Brunot permit. The lion permits for both areas are not interchangeable.

#### The lion harvest quotas, by unit **Lion Unit Harvest Quota** L1 7 lions or 4 females L2 1 lion, (either sex) L3 2 lions, (either sex) 2 lions, (either sex)

# \*\*\*Mt. Lion Hunting Information\*\*\*

A mountain lion telephone information line is ailable for hunters to call to check on the status of the quotas in each unit. It is the hunter's responsibility to call the harvest quota information line IMMEDIATELY BEFORE hunting to check the status of harvest quotas and unit closures.

Call 970-563-0130 at any time for quota status. It is unlawful to kill mountain lion kittens or female mountain lions accompanied by kittens. Kittens are defined as mountain lions exhibiting visible spotting of the fur. Female mountain lions accompanied by kittens are defined as female mountain lions that have kittens traveling with them or dependent on them.

Trained hunting dogs may be used to hunt mountain lions.

# **Upland game bird Hunting**

Hunting for Upland game birds is allowed within the Brunot Area. Upland Gamebirds includes dusky (blue) grouse, ptarmigan, pheasant, and chukar partridge. Columbian Sharptailed grouse and Gunnison Sage Grouse may occur within the Brunot Area also; however, populations of these birds are very low and hunting of these species is not allowed.

Trained hunting dogs may be used to hunt upland game birds.

# Waterfowl and migratory game bird hunting

Hunting for Waterfowl and other migratory game birds is allowed within the Brunot Area. Waterfowl includes various species of ducks, mergansers, coots, dark and light geese, snipe, and rails (Virginia and sora). Migratory game birds include doves (mourning, white winged and collared) and band-tailed pigeons. Because waterfowl and migratory game bird seasons and bag limits are set by the federal government, the Tribe does not currently have the ability to set its own season dates and bag limits for these species. Therefore Tribal Member hunters pursuing these species must abide by season dates and bag limits set by the State of Colorado.

The Brunot Area encompasses parts of both the Central and Pacific Flyways. Most of the Brunot Area is within the Pacific Flyway, while the Central Flyway portion is a much smaller area located east of the Continental Divide

Please note that, under Federal law, all waterfowl hunters are required to purchase and possess a Federal Duck Stamp. A Duck Stamp can normally be purchased for a small fee at a local Post Office.

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#### **Trapping of Small Game**

Trapping of small game is a special harvest methodology that is highly regulated at the State level, and is similarly regulated by the Tribe within the Brunot Area. The purpose of the regulations is to minimize the potential impacts of trapping on non-target wildlife, especially rare, threatened, or endangered species. For the Brunot Area, the species of concern with trapping are the Canada lynx and river otter, both of which are the subject of major re-introduction efforts and are protected from take throughout the San Juan Mountains region.

Trapping is allowed year-round, per the established Small Game season, and a trapper must obtain a Small Game permit to engage in any trapping of wildlife in the Brunot Area. Wildlife that may be trapped are those species covered under the Brunot Area Small Game permit, including: bobcat, coyote, fox, all weasels (except river otter), ringtail, raccoon, prairie dog, beaver, muskrat, rabbit/hare, marmot, and tree squirrel.

All trappers must comply with the following tribal trapping regulations:

- Trapper Notification & Reporting. A trapper must provide at least two weeks advance notice to the Tribal Division of Wildlife of any planned Brunot Area trapping effort. The notice must include approximate location of traps, number and type(s) of traps to be used, and approximate timeframe for operating the traps. Within two weeks of completing the trapping, the trapper must have traps completely removed from the field and report to the Division the trapping results (i.e., identify all target and non-target species captured, animals retained or harvested, and all non-target mortalities).
- Trap Attendance. Any individual operating a trap within the Brunot Area is required to physically inspect the trap at least once every 24 hours. Note that this is not a "once daily" requirement; a trapper cannot inspect a trap on one morning and return in the afternoon the next day, as this would be in excess of 24 hours.
- Trap Types Allowed. Only live traps may be used for trapping in the Brunot Area, which includes any non-lethal cage, box, or Snead-design colony traps. All other methods of trapping are prohibited, including, but not limited to, all types of legholds, snares, and instant kill traps.
- Bait Restrictions. Visual lures, fresh meat baits, fish oil, and anise oil lures meant to attract felids are not permitted due to the risk of injury or mortality for Canada lynx.
- Target and Non-Target Captures. All captured target species must be killed onsite when the trap is checked. All captured non-target species that are un-injured must be released. Accidental mortality of non-target animals must be reported to the Wildlife Division, per the trapper reporting requirement.

Canada lynx and river otter that are captured but un-injured must be immediately released. Accidental capture of these species must be reported within 12 hours of discovery to the Tribal Wildlife Division.

• Interference with Traps. It is unlawful to interfere with, disturb, remove or otherwise molest any trap lawfully set by a trapper, or for a non-operator of a trap to remove any animal from said trap.

# **Other Hunting Requirements**

- · Hunter Safety Requirements. All hunters under the age of 21 years must have successfully completed a hunter safety education course prior to issuance of permits. Hunters under age 21 mustbe able to present their hunter safety education card when acquiring permits, and must carry the card with them while hunting. Both the Tribe and Colorado Parks and Wildlife offer hunter education classes, and should be contacted for more information.
- Hunters Under Age 18. Hunters under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult while hunting.
- Fluorescent Orange. For non-archery hunters hunting mule deer, elk, or moose within the Brunot Area, it is required that the hunter (and the hunter's guide, if present) wear a head covering and an outer garment above the waistline, both of solid daylight fluorescent orange color, totaling 500 square inches or more of clothing. Penalties include a \$50 fine and penalty points toward
- suspension of hunting/fishing privileges. • Loaded Firearm in Vehicle. It is unlawful for any person, except those authorized by law, or by the Tribe's Department of Justice and Regulatory, Enforcement Division, or Wildlife Management Division, to carry or possess any firearm other than a pistol or revolver in or on any motor vehicle, unless such firearm is unloaded. For purposes of this section, a rifle or shotgun shall be considered unloaded if it is unloaded in the chamber; a muzzle-loader shall be considered unloaded if it is not primed, and, for such purpose "primed" means having a percussion cap on the nipple, a primer in the breech, or flint in the striker and powder in the flash pan; and a

bow shall be considered unloaded if an arrow

is not nocked on the string. Penalties include

- a \$300 fine and penalty points toward suspension of hunting/fishing privileges.
- **Shooting from Road.** It is unlawful for any person to shoot any type of firearm from or across or onto any maintained public road. "Road" shall mean the area extending 50 feet on either side of the center line of the roadway. Penalties include a \$250 fine and penalty points toward suspension of hunting/fishing privileges.
- Shooting from a Motor Vehicle. It is unlawful for any person to shoot any type of firearm from a motor vehicle to take wildlife. Penalties include a \$300 fine and penalty points toward suspension of hunting/fishing privileges.

#### **FISHING REGULATIONS**

Presented in this section are the Tribal-approved seasons and regulations pertaining to fishing within the Brunot Area for both 2015 and part of 2016. The fishing season is the calendar year, January 1st through December 31st. Except as noted under Special Management Fisheries, standard angling methods and daily bag limits apply to all Brunot Area fishing by Tribal anglers.

Important Note: Numerous creeks and rivers with sport fisheries cross over the Brunot Area boundary. It is important for anglers to remember that, upon leaving the Brunot Area, Brunot fishing permits are no longer valid; State permit requirements and regulations apply outside of the Brunot Area. When entering the Southern Ute Indian Reservation, reservation requirements apply.

#### **Standard Angling Methods**

Game fish may be taken by hook and line only, and the use of only one fishing rod at a time per angler is allowed. For bait fishing, one line may be used with up to two single baited hooks attached. For lure fishing, one line may be used with one artificial lure attached. Artificial lures may have up to two hooks (single, double, or treble) attached. For fly-fishing, one line may be used with up to two flies attached.

#### **Daily Bag and Possession Limits**

The Daily Bag Limit is the maximum number of game fish you can take in one day. The Possession Limit is the number of fish you may have in your possession at any one time, including in your creel, ice chest, vehicle, camp, or home. The possession limit for all game fish is no more than one daily bag limit (single species or in aggregate), as indicated in the Daily Bag Limits table. Bag and Possession Limits do not apply to the "Unlimited Take" fisheries.

Species of fish with no limits on bag or possession

when fishing in ALL WATERS of the Brunot Area

Species of fish with no limits on bag or possession

when fishing in Brunot Area RIVERS and CREEKS

**Game Fish** 

**Kokanee Salmon** 

**Channel Catfish** 

ee snagging restrictions.

- Bait. Use of any live, dead, or parts of fish or amphibians as bait is prohibited in all Brunot Area waters. Non-fish and amphibian baits such as worms, insects, crayfish, vegetable matter, artificial salmon eggs, and PowerBait are permitted except in designated Trophy Trout Waters and Cutthroat Conservation Waters.
- Planting Fish. It is unlawful to release or move into any Brunot Area waters any fish from aquaria, ponds, bait buckets, or any other external fish source.
- Fishing Pole Attendance. Anglers must attend their fishing pole (be within 50 feet) at
- Minnows. It is unlawful to take, possess, transport, or sell live minnows anywhere within the Brunot Area.

#### **Special Management Fisheries**

Special Management Fisheries are specific streams and lakes within the Brunot Area where closures and/or special harvest and tackle restrictions are in place to protect or enhance the local fish population. These locations include: Trophy Trout Waters, Cutthroat Conservation Waters, Trophy Bass Waters, and Spawning Waters. All anglers must comply with the special regulations in place for these designated waters.

- A. Trophy Trout Waters. For the waters listed below, anglers may use artificial flies and lures only, with no bait fishing allowed. Unless otherwise noted, only two trout 16 inches in length or longer may be kept, per day.
- Animas River. From Lightner Creek to the south Brunot Area boundary located at Rivera Crossing Bridge.
- · Bear Creek. From headwaters downstream to the Dolores River.
- Dolores River. From McPhee Dam downstream to the west Brunot Area boundary, near Lone Dome State Wildlife Area.
- Emerald Lakes (Big & Little). Located 10 mi northeast of Vallecito Res.
- Lake Fork (of Gunnison River). From High Bridge Gulch downstream to the north Brunot Area boundary.
- Los Piños River. From headwaters downstream to the Weminuche Wilderness
- Piedra River. CATCH & RELEASE ONLY from USFS Road 631 bridge downstream to the lower boundary of the Tres Piedra Ranch (1.5 miles above US160). All trout must be returned to the water immediately.

Northern Pike, Yellow Perch, Common

Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass

Bluegill, Green Sunfish, Crappie,

Carp, Bullhead, White Sucker

Channel Catfish, Walleye

that are 15 inches in length or longer. Anglers must also refrain from fishing along the north shore of the reservoir from March 1 through May 31 in order to protect nesting waterfowl.

- D. Spawning Waters are streams and lakes within the Brunot Area that are inhabited by spawning populations of kokanee salmon or wild trout. In order to conserve these important fisheries and ensure successful reproductive cycles, special seasonal fishing restrictions are necessary. The Brunot Area Spawning Waters and corresponding restrictions are listed below.
- Florida River (above Lemon Reservoir). Snagging of kokanee salmon is permitted above Lemon Reservoir from September 1 thru December 31.
- Grimes Creek (upstream of Vallecito Res. water line). Snagging of kokanee salmon is permitted above Vallecito Reservoir from November 15 through December 31. All kokanee salmon caught before November 15 must be returned to the water immediately.
- Vallecito Creek (CR501 upstream to Weminuche W.). Snagging of kokanee salmon is permitted above Vallecito Reservoir from November 15 through December 31. All kokanee salmon caught before November 15 must be returned to the water immediately.
- Big Emerald Lake Inlet Creek (CLO-SURE). All fishing is prohibited in Lake Creek inlet for ½ mile above Big Emerald Lake from April 15 thru July 15.
- · Groundhog Reservoir Inlet Creeks (CLO-SURE). All fishing is prohibited in Nash Creek and Groundhog Creek inlets for 1/2 mile above Groundhog Reservoir from April 15 through July 15.

#### **PROTECTED FISH & WILDLIFE**

In order to ensure the long-term conservation of many rare and protected species that occur within the Brunot Area, the Tribe does not allow harvest of certain fish and wildlife by Brunot Area hunters and anglers. These include all species protected from take under the various Federal wildlife laws (e.g., Endangered Species Act, Migratory Bird Treaty Act, Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act); those species protected under State of Colorado Title 33, and designated wildlife populations that are the subject of special research or re-introduction efforts.

For the Brunot Area, the protected wildlife species most likely to be encountered by hunters include: Canada lynx, river otter, Gunnison sage grouse, sharp-tailed grouse, all raptors (eagles, hawks, falcons, owls), and all songbirds. The protected fish species most likely to be encountered by anglers include: Colorado River and Rio Grande cutthroat trout (designated pure populations), roundtail chub, flannelmouth sucker, and bluehead sucker.

None of these protected fish and wildlife species may be harvested by Tribal Brunot Area hunters or anglers. For a complete list of protected species, please contact the Tribal Division of Wildlife.

In addition to the protected species identified above, the Tribe has also designated black bear as a protected, culturally sensitive species that shall not be subject to harvest by Brunot Area hunters under a Southern Ute Tribal-issued permit. Tribal hunters, however, retain the option of obtaining a State permit for harvesting black

#### **Daily Bag** Limit Trout\* (Rainbow, Brown, Cutthroat, Splake, Golden, Lake, Brook over 8") 4 10 **Brook Trout** (under 8") 10 10 Bass\* (Largemouth, Smallmouth, Spotted) 10

"Unlimited Take" Fisheries

**Daily Bag Limits** 

Tiger Muskie (36" or longer) \*Bag limits are IN AGGREGATE for the indicated group of fish

The Daily Bag Limits for trout, bass, sunfish, crappie, walleye and saugeye are IN AGGRE-GATE, meaning that the limits for each group of fish consist of one species or a mix of the different species indicated.

Sunfish\* (Bluegill and Green Sunfish)

Crappie\* (White and Black)

Walleye and Saugeye\*

# **General Fishing Restrictions**

- Legal Fishing Hours/Duration. Fishing may occur 24-hours a day, unless the daily bag or possession limit is met. Once the daily bag or possession limit is met, the angler must discon-
- Illegal Fishing Gear/Methods. Use of the following gear or methods to catch fish is prohibited on all Brunot Area waters: all net types (excluding hand-held landing nets), trotlines, traps, explosives, poisons, guns, or any other gear or method not specified in the Standard Angling Methods section.
- Chumming. Chumming, or placing in the water any type of fish attractant for the purpose of catching fish, is prohibited in all Brunot waters. Chumming does not include the use of bait, lures, and flies as specified in the Standard Angling Methods section.
- · Snagging. Snagging, or using hooked devices to snag fish in parts of their bodies other than the mouth, is only allowed for kokanee salmon in designated waters during certain times of the year. Standard daily bag/possession limits for kokanee and gear restrictions for lure fishing apply to snagging. See the Spawning

Waters section for more information on kokan-

• Rio Grande River. From the lower boundary of River Hill Campground (near Rio Grande Reservoir) to the east Brunot Area boundary, just west of Creede, Colorado.

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- Vallecito Creek. From headwaters downstream to the Weminuche Wilderness
- B. Cutthroat Conservation Waters are streams and lakes within the Brunot Area that are managed to conserve pure-strain Colorado River and Rio Grande cutthroat trout. Anglers may fish these waters with artificial flies and lures only, but all fish must be returned to the water immediately. Cutthroat Conservation Waters include:
- Deep Creek (6 mi. west of Telluride) • Elk Creek (10 mi. west of Telluride)
- Cooper Lake (10 mi. southwest of Lake
- Sloan Lake (10 mi. northeast of Silverton)
- Hermosa Creek, East Fork (at Durango
- Hermosa Creek headwaters to conflu-
- ence with East and West Cross Creeks
- Piedra River, East Fork (15 mi. northwest of Pagosa Springs)
- C. Trophy Bass Waters Totten Reservoir. For

Totten Reservoir, near Cortez, anglers may

only keep smallmouth and largemouth bass

#### OPEN AND CLOSED AREAS, PRIVATE PROPERTY, AND INDIAN LAND

Open Areas for hunting and fishing shall generally include all public lands within the Brunot Area boundary, which consist of most Federal government and State of Colorado-owned lands (e.g., National Forest and Bureau of Land Management lands, State Wildlife Areas, State Parks, State school sections). Certain exceptions apply on some Federal and State-owned properties, or portions thereof; see Closed Areas below.

Closed Areas are those lands within the Brunot Area where hunting and/or fishing is not allowed by the Tribe for (1) public safety reasons, or (2) sensitive resource protection reasons. These areas include:

- all properties within the limits of any Brunot Area town or municipality;
- · all properties or areas closed by local government (i.e., city or county) for public safety reasons;
- · any place in close proximity to campgrounds, boat ramps, marinas, trailheads, occupied buildings, private residences, and any other facilities where hunting presents an undue risk to users, residents, and/or the facilities;
- any areas closed by Federal or State agencies to protect archaeological, wildlife, or other sensitive natural resource sites;

Note: Additional fishing-related closures are also specifically identified in the Spawning Waters section of the Brunot Area Fishing Regulations.

# **Hunting**

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Private Property represents a substantial portion, approximately 25%, of the entire Brunot Area. Although permitted Brunot Area hunters and anglers are authorized to take game species on private property, the hunter or angler must always obtain access permission from the land owner prior to entering private land. It is always the hunter's or angler's responsibility to know where private land occurs, even if land boundaries are not clearly marked in the field. Hunters and anglers should carefully review maps provided by the Tribe, as well as those published by State and Federal lands agencies. Always seek knowledgeable help if in doubt about land status.

Indian Land within the Brunot Area is a small portion of the Ute Mountain Ute (UMU) reservation extending to south of Cortez, Colorado and west of Mesa Verde National Park. For purposes of Brunot Area hunting by Southern Ute Tribal Members, UMU land should be considered private property and not huntable without the expressed permission of the UMU Tribe.

#### **LAND USE REGULATIONS**

Virtually all of the public lands within the Brunot Area - whether federal, state, or locally controlled - are subject to a wide range of land use regulations, some of which are not exclusively directed to fish and game matters. Common examples include, but are not limited to, restrictions on: open fires, recreational shooting, overnight camping, wood cutting/collecting, boating, livestock use, and especially off-road vehicle use (e.g., 4x4 trucks, ATV's, motorcycles, mountain bikes, snowmobiles). One of the more significant land use regulations affecting hunters is a vehicle ban in certain areas. Within State Wildlife Areas, federal wilderness and research areas, and specially-designated portions of National Forest, vehicle access is commonly banned either seasonally or year-round. The purpose of those regulations includes public safety and the protection of natural resources from public over-use and abuse.

The Tribal Council recognizes that requiring compliance with nondiscriminatory federal, state, and local land use regulations in the Brunot Area as a matter of Tribal law may limit or interfere somewhat with the exercise of the Tribe's Brunot Agreement rights by tribal members, but the Tribal Council finds that requiring compliance with such regulations as a matter of Tribal law is an advisable exercise of Tribal sovereignty in the interest of comity and to:

- · Avoid the applicability of such regulations to Brunot Area hunting and fishing from being determined in federal or state court;
- · Avoid potential litigation with an uncertain
- · Avoid potential intergovernmental conflicts.

Such regulations, therefore, shall apply to Tribal Member Brunot Area hunting and fishing as a matter of Tribal law. The Tribal Council reserves the right to create exceptions to the general applicability of such regulations to Tribal Member Brunot Area hunting and fishing.

It is the responsibility of Tribal Member Brunot Area hunters and anglers to know and understand the various land use regulations that are in place and enforced within the Brunot Area. Violations of the regulations are not only violations of Tribal law, but also may constitute violations of state and/or federal law, and, therefore may be prosecuted in Tribal, state, or federal court. In a state or federal prosecution for violation of such regulations, therefore, it may be an ineffective defense to assert that the Tribal Member was exercising Brunot Agreement rights, since those regulations are applicable as a matter of Tribal law. Hunters and anglers

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should contact the Tribe's Wildlife Management Division or other appropriate management agencies for more information on applicable land use regulations (e.g., U.S. Forest Service, U.S. Bureau of Land Management, Colorado State Parks, Colorado Parks and Wildlife, etc.).

#### **GUIDING & OUTFITTING**

A "guide" or "outfitter" is a person who accepts compensation for (1) guiding, leading, packing, protecting, supervising, instructing, or training persons in the take or attempted take of wildlife; or (2) providing facilities (e.g., tents, cabins, camp gear, food, or similar supplies, equipment, or accommodations), equipment or services for hunting activities, including but not limited to the transportation of individuals, equipment, supplies, or wildlife by means of vehicle, vessel, or pack animal.

The guiding and outfitting of a Tribal Member Brunot Area hunter requires special authorization of the guide/outfitter from either the Tribe OR State and Federal authorities, depending on (1) the SUIT member status of the guide, or (2) whether the hunter is hunting under authority of a Tribal or State hunting permit.

If a hunter with a Tribal Brunot hunting permit wants to utilize the service of a Tribal Member guide/outfitter, this guide/outfitter must first be permitted by the Tribe, per Tribal permitting requirements, and the guide/outfitter must comply with the Tribe's established guiding and outfitting rules and regulations. More information on these requirements and regulations is available through the Tribe's Division of Wildlife office.

If the hunter wants to utilize the service of a non-SUIT member guide/outfitter, OR if the hunter is hunting under the authority of a State hunting permit, the guide/outfitter must comply with all applicable State and Federal permitting requirements and regulations pertaining to guiding and outfitting. The Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies (DORA) and/or the U.S. Forest Service should be contacted for more information.

The terms "hunting" and "fishing", as they relate to guiding and outfitting, are used interchangeably.

# Things to ask to be sure your guide/outfit-

- · Do you have the appropriate Tribal/State/ Federal Permits?
- · What are your permit and/or registration
- · Will we be hunting on public lands at any
- Do you have a Bureau of Land Management

#### or U.S. Forest Service Permit? Indications of an illegal outfitter:

- · The outfitter does not provide you with a written contract
- The outfitter counsels you not to talk to state or federal officers or asks vou to sav vou're just friends or family hunting together.

# Verify an outfitter as legal:

- · Contact the SU Wildlife Division for information on Tribal guides and outfitters
- Contact the Colorado Department of Regulatory Agencies to verify a non-Southern Ute Tribal Member guide or outfitter www.dors. state.co.us/outfitters
- Contact the Colorado Outfitters Association www.coloradooutfitters.org

If you suspect illegal guiding and outfitting contact the Southern Ute Wildlife Division immediately for assistance. Illegal guiding and outfitting is a serious offense and can have severe consequences for you and the guide/outfitter involved in the activity. The above information is provided to keep you safe and legal while hunting on and off the reservation.

#### **INCORPORATION OF ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS BY REFERENCE**

The following sections of the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Wildlife Conservation Code, as amended and published as of the date of adoption of this Proclamation, are adopted by the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council and incorporated by reference into this Brunot Area Hunting and Fishing Proclamation.

The purpose of the incorporation is to provide for the applicability of the incorporated sections to Tribal Member Brunot Area hunting and fishing notwithstanding any on-Reservation applicability limitation that may be expressed or implied in those sections. All Tribal Members who wish to hunt or fish in the Brunot Area must comply with the requirements set forth in the incorporated sections. The regulations contained in this Proclamation shall govern in the event of any conflict with the requirements contained in the incorporated sections.

## Southern Ute Indian **Tribal Wildlife Conservation Code**

Section/ Article	Definitions, Organization, Regulations
Section 13-2-105	Denial, Suspension Revocation of Permit Privileges
Section 13-2-106	Administrative Appeal
Section 13-2-107	Judicial Review
Article 3	Offenses
Article 4	Penalties and procedures
Article 5	Evidence & additional penalties

#### JURISDICTION/LAW ENFORCEMENT

The Tribe and State of Colorado have a shared responsibility for establishing appropriate hunting and fishing regulations for the hunters and fishermen under their respective authorities in the Brunot Area, as well as for enforcing those regulations. It is the Tribe's intent to provide a law enforcement presence in the Brunot Area utilizing Southern Ute Tribal Rangers.

Tribal hunters and anglers are likely to encounter both Tribal and State law enforcement officers while in the Brunot Area, and should be prepared to show appropriate identification and permits, if requested by any law enforcement officer. In general, if a violation of a Tribal wildlife regulation has been committed by a Tribal-permitted hunter or angler, that hunter or angler shall be subject to Tribal citation and prosecution in Tribal Court.

Tribal hunters and anglers are required to carry with them their Tribal identification cards as proof of Tribal-enrolled status.

#### SEARCH AND RESCUE

The Colorado Outdoor Recreation Search and Rescue (CORSAR) card is a means to voluntarily participate in funding the cost of missions, training, and equipment for search and rescue efforts in Colorado. In the event that a card holder is lost or injured in the back country, the county Sheriff can be reimbursed for the costs of a search and rescue mission for that person. The CORSAR card costs \$3 for one year, or \$12 for five years. Two-thirds of the revenue go to the CORSAR fund, while one-third is retained by card vendors. The CORSAR card can be purchased from local outdoors and sporting goods stores.

#### **BRUNOT AREA MAPS**

The Brunot Area maps provided on the following pages are for general reference purposes only. Detailed boundary descriptions for specific hunt units (i.e., mountain lion, bighorn sheep, mountain goat, and moose), as well as maps showing precise locations of Special Management Fisheries, are available to Tribal Members through the SUIT Division of Wildlife office in Ignacio.

#### BRUNOT AREA CONTACT **INFORMATION**

#### **EMERGENCIES**

- Southern Ute Tribe Dispatch: (any time) 970-563-4401
- Colorado State Patrol: (any time) 970-249-4392
- Colorado Parks and Wildlife: Any Service Center during regular business hours.

# General Hunting/Fishing Information

Southern Ute Indian Tribe Division of Wildlife Resource Management

116 Memorial Drive, Ignacio, CO 81137

970-563-0130 Colorado Parks and Wildlife

Gunnison Service Center 300 W. New York Ave., Gunnison, CO 81230

Colorado Parks and Wildlife Southwest Region Service Center 151 East 16th St., Durango, CO 81301 970-247-0855

970-641-7060

Colorado Parks and Wildlife Montrose Service Center 2300 S. Townsend Ave., Montrose, CO 81401 970-252-6000

# Federal Lands Offices

San Juan Public Lands Center (USFS) 15 Burnett Court, Durango, CO 81301 970-247-4874

San Luis Valley Public Lands Center (BLM/USFS) 1803 W. Hwy 160, Monte Vista, CO 81144 719-852-5941

Grand Mesa-Uncompahgre-Gunnison National Forests 2250 Highway 50, Delta, CO 81416

**Gunnison Field Office (USFS)** 216 N. Colorado, Gunnison, CO 81230 970-641-0471

**Columbine Field Office (USFS)** 367 Pearl St., Bayfield, CO 81122 970-884-2512

970-874-6600

Tres Rios Field Office (BLM) 29211 Hwy. 184, Dolores, CO 81323 970-882-7296

Del Norte Field Office (BLM/USFS) 13308 W. Hwy. 160, Del Norte, CO 81132 719-657-3321

Pagosa Field Office (USFS) P.O. Box 310, Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 970-264-2268

**Uncompangre Field Office (USFS)** 

2465 S. Townsend Ave., Montrose, CO 81401, 970-240-5300

# Annual Spring Clean-Up - April 13 - April 18

All Tribal Rental Occupants are requested to clean up their residential area and BAG THE TRASH for pick up. Tribal Members please make private arrangements to deliver FURNITURE, MAJOR APPLIANCES, SCRAP METAL, AND LUMBER to the Transfer Station or call Emergency Family Services at 563-0100 Ext. 2329 to be put on the list for pick up. ALL ITEMS MUST BE IN ONE SPECIFIC AREA FOR

\*\*\* Elders and Handicapped Tribal Members who may need assistance, Please Contact Construction Services 563-0260

OLD VEHICLE REMOVAL - Contact Building Maintenance at 563-0265 regarding any old vehicles needing to be removed, please provide title to old vehicles.

HAZARDOUS WASTE MATERIAL - Contact Environmental Programs Division at 563-0135 for disposal of hazardous waste.

<u>UPPER AND LOWER TRIBAL, AND BIA CAMPUS AREA</u> – All Tribal, BIA, HIS, Tribal Enterprises, Head Start, and Peaceful Spirit employees are requested to clean up their immediate office building areas. Tribal crews will pick up bagged trash; call Building Maintenance at 563-0265 and Grounds

SUIHA - All Southern Ute Public Housing and Senior Center residents are requested to clean up their areas. SUIHA homeowners, renters, and Senior Center are to contact the Southern Ute Housing Authority at 563-4575. Ignacio Peak, Jefferson Drive, Sunset Circle, Northridge, South end Housing Authority units, Shoshone Apartments, Shoshone Houses, Senior Center.

PROPERTY & FACILITIES DEPARTMENT - (Building Maintenance, Grounds Maintenance & Motor Pool) Tribal homes located North of HWY 172 and West of the Pine River, Motor Pool is 563-0280, Building Maintenance is 563-0265. Grounds Maintenance 563-0272. Tribal Homes located at Cedar Point East & West, including Ignacio Peak.

TRIBAL CONSTRUCTION SERVICES: (Wood Yard) Tribal homes East of the Pine River, North and South

of HWY 151 to Arboles. Contact Construction Services at 563-0260.



# TRIBAL MEMBERS Receive FREE Whitewater raft guide training

Are you a Southern Ute Tribal Member interested in training to become a whitewater rafting guide? If so, this is a great opportunity for you! Trainings are made available on a first-come, first-served basis, and are held each May and June. For more information, please contact Lovvis Downs-Glass at the Division of Wildlife at 970-563-0130, or email to ldglass@southernute-nsn.gov. The deadline to apply is April 24.

SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE WATER TREATMENT PLANT

# Annual Drinking Water Quality Report for calendar year 2014

We are pleased to present to you this year's water quality report. Our constant goal is to provide you with a safe and dependable supply of drinking water. Please contact the Utilities Office at 970-563-5500 with any questions about the Drinking Consumer Confidence Rule (CCR), for public participation opportunities that may affect the water quality or for information on the Source Water Assessment Plan.

#### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

All drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791) or by visiting http://water.epa.gov/drink/contaminants.

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV-AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk of infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. For more information about contaminants and potential health effects, or to receive a copy of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and microbiological contaminants call the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at (1-800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) prescribes regulations limiting the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The Food and Drug Administration regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water that must provide the same protection for public health.

# Contaminants that may be present in source water include

- Microbial contaminants: viruses and bacteria that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife.
- Inorganic contaminants: salts and metals, which can be naturally-occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming.
- Pesticides and herbicides: may come from a variety of sources, such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses.
- Radioactive contaminants: can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.
- Organic chemical contaminants: including synthetic anz volatile organic chemicals, which are byproducts of industrial processes and petroleum production, and also may come from gas stations, urban storm water runoff, and septic systems.

#### **Terms and Abbreviations**

- Maximum Contaminant Level (MCL) The highest level of a contaminant allowed in drinking water.
- Treatment Technique (TT) A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
- Action Level (AL) The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment and other regulatory requirements.
- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (MRDL) The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
- Maximum Contaminant Level Goal (MCLG) The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there
  is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal (MRDLG) The level of a drinking water disinfectant, below which
  there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to
  control microbial contaminants.
- · Violation (No Abbreviation) Failure to meet a Colorado Primary Drinking Water Regulation.
- Formal Enforcement Action (No Abbreviation) Escalated action taken by the State (due to the risk to public health, or number or severity of violations) to bring a non-compliant water system back into compliance.
- Variance and Exemptions (V/E) Department permission not to meet a MCL or treatment technique under certain conditions.
- Gross Alpha (No Abbreviation) Gross alpha particle activity compliance value. It includes radium-226, but excludes radon 222, and uranium.
- Picocuries per liter (pCi/L) Measure of the radioactivity in water.
- **Nephelometric Turbidity Unit (NTU)** Measure of the clarity or cloudiness of water. Turbidity in excess of 5 NTU is just noticeable to the typical person.
- Compliance Value (No Abbreviation) Single or calculated value used to determine if regulatory contaminant level (e.g. MCL) is met. Examples of calculated values are the 90th Percentile, Running Annual Average (RAA) and Locational Running Annual Average (LRAA).
- Average (x-bar) Typical value.
- Range (R) Lowest value to the highest value.
- Sample Size (n) Number or count of values (i.e. number of water samples collected).
- Parts per million = Milligrams per liter (ppm = mg/L) One part per million corresponds to one minute in two years or a single penny in \$10,000.
- Parts per billion = Micrograms per liter (ppb = ug/L) One part per billion corresponds to one minute in 2,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000.
- Parts per trillion = Nanograms per liter (ppt = ng/L) One part per trillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000 years, or a single penny in \$10,000,000,000.
- Parts per quadrillion = Picograms per liter (ppq = pg/L) One part per quadrillion corresponds to one minute in 2,000,000,000 years or one penny in \$10,000,000,000.
- Not Applicable (N/A) Does not apply or not available.

#### LEAD IN DRINKING WATER

If present, elevated levels of lead can cause serious health problems (especially for pregnant women and young children). It is possible that lead levels at your home may be higher than other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your home's plumbing.

If you are concerned about lead in your water, you may wish to have your water tested. When your water has been sitting for several hours, you can minimize the potential for lead exposure by flushing your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using water for drinking or cooking.

Additional information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline (1-800-426-4791) or at http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead

Our water source					
<u>Source</u>	Source type				
Los Pinos River	Surface Water				

The source of the water treated at the Southern Ute Indian Tribe is the Los Pinos River (Pine River). At the time of this publication, Vallecito Lake is expected to stay full throughout the coming irrigation season, leaving us with excellent quality water that we have been used to in years past. The higher quality river water, together with a modern water treatment plant, will assure even higher quality to all of our customers.

#### VOLUNTARY FLUORIDE PROGRAM

Not only is the water safe, but it also has a measured amount of Fluoride added to it to reduce Dental Carries (cavities) in any users who drink the water. Fluoride acts on teeth much like Calcium in bones to make them stronger, especially in young children. This is an added cost of about \$4,500 per year to the Tribe.

# DETECTED CONTAMINANTS

The Southern Ute Water Treatment System routinely monitors for contaminants in your drinking water according to Federal Law.

The following tables show all detections found in the period of Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 2014 unless otherwise noted.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) requires us to monitor for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants are not expected to vary significantly from year to year, or the system is not considered vulnerable to this type of contamination.

Therefore, some of our data, though representative, may be more than one year old. Violations and Formal Enforcement Actions, if any, are reported in the next section of this report.

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Disinfectants Sampled in the Distribution System								
Contaminant Name	Year	Range Low – High	Unit of Measure	MRDL	MRDL Violation	Typical Sources		
Chlorine	2014	07-1 28	nnm	4.0	No	Water additive used to control microhes		

Summary of Disinfectants Sampled in the Distribution System							
Contaminant Name	Results	TT Requirement	TT Violation	Typical Sources			
Chlorine	Lowest monthly percentage of samples meeting TT requirement: 100%	For any two consecutive months, At least 95% of samples (per month) must be detectable	No	Water additive used to control microbes			

	Lead and Copper Sampled in the Distribution System								
Contaminant Name	Time Period	90th Percentile	Sample Size	Unit of Measure	90th Percentile AL	Sample Sites Above AL	90th Percentile AL Exceedance	Typical Sources	
Copper	6/14/2012	.142	10	ppm	1.3	0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion	
Lead	6/14/2012	1.3	10	ppb	1.5	0	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; Erosion of natural deposits	

Disinfection Byproducts Sampled in the Distribution System									
Contaminant Name	Year	Average	Range Low – High	Unit of Measure	MCL	MCLG	Highest Compliance Value	MCL Violation	Typical Sources
Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	2014	25.7	5.7-48.7	ppb	60	N/A	48.7	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	2014	34.05	25.9-43.1	ppb	80	N/A	43.1	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection
Chlorite	2014	.038	0087	ppm	1.0	.8	.087	No	Byproduct of drinking water disinfection

# **Quality**

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	Disinfectants Sampled at the Entry Point to the Distribution System									
Contaminant Name	Year	Average	Range Low – High	Unit of Measure	TT/MRDL Requirement	TT/MRDL Violation	Typical Sources			
Chlorine	2014	1.17	.47-2.28	ppm	TT = No more than 72 hours with a residual below .2 mg/L	No	Water additive used to control microbes			
Chlorine Dioxide	2014	.025	0261	ppm	MRDL = .8	No	Water additive used to control microbes			

	Summary of Turbidity Sampled at the Entry Point to the Distribution System									
Contaminant Name	Sample Date	Level Found	TT Requirement	TT Violation	Typical Sources					
Turbidity	Continuous	<u>Highest single</u> measurement: .250 NTU	Maximum 1 NTU for any single measurement	No	Soil Runoff					
Turbidity	Continuous	Lowest monthly percentage of samples meeting TT requirement for our technology: 100%	In any month, at least 95% of samples must be less than 0.3 NTU	No	Soil Runoff					

	Inorganic Contaminants Sampled at the Entry Point to the Distribution System									
Contaminant Name	Year	Average	Range Low - High	Unit of Measure	MCL	MCLG	MCL Violation	Typical Sources		
Antimony	2014	0.9	0.9	ppb	6	6	No	Discharge from petroleum refineries; fire retardants; ceramics; electronics; solder		
Barium	2014	.0273	.0273	ppm	2	2	No	Discharge of drilling wastes; discharge from metal refineries; erosion of natural deposits		
Fluoride	2014	.53	.53	ppm	4	4	No	Erosion of natural deposits; water additive which promotes strong teeth; discharge from fertilizer and aluminum factories		
Nitrate	2014	.022	.022	ppm	10	10	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits		
Nitrite	2014	.022	.022	ppm	1	1	No	Runoff from fertilizer use; leaching from septic tanks, sewage; erosion of natural deposits		

# Unregulated or Secondary Contaminants\*\*

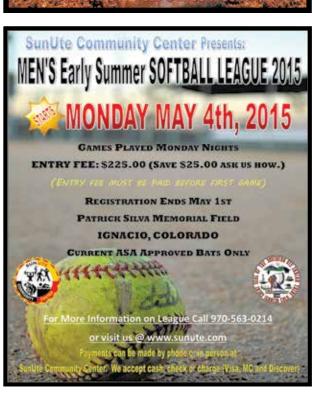
\*\*Secondary standards are non-enforceable guidelines for contaminants that may cause cosmetic effects or aesthetic effects (such as taste, odor, or color) in drinking water

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Contaminant Name	Year	Average	Range Low – High	Unit of Measure	Secondary Standard			
Sodium	2014	2.21	2.21	ppm	N/A			
Nickel	2013	.0008	.0008	ppm	N/A			

## **No Violations or Formal Enforcement Actions**

Public Water System ID: 890001 Esta es información importante. Si no la pueden leer, necesitan que alguien se la traduzca.





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# **PUBLIC NOTICE** Southern Indian Tribe/State of Colorado

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe/State of Colorado Environmental Commission (Environmental Commission) will hold a special meeting with the Colorado Air Quality Control Commission on Thursday, April 16, from 2 - 4:30 p.m. at the Environmental Programs Bldg., large conference room, 71 Mike Frost Way, Ignacio, Colo. 81137. The Environmental Commission will not be taking any action at this meeting. The agenda for this joint meeting includes discussions on each commission's mission, roles and responsibilities; a presentation on the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Air Quality Program; informational briefings on Colorado's recent oil and gas related emissions control regulations; and the Environmental Protection Agency's proposed carbon pollution standards for electric generating units and proposal to lower the federal ozone standard. For information contact Mr. Mark A. Hutson, Acting Air Quality Program Manager at 970-563-4705, ext. 2206.

**Environmental Commission Special Meeting** 

## **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) Construction Services for Mouache Capote Parking Lot Crack and Slurry Seal**

Southern Ute Indian Tribe Construction & Project Management Dept. P.O. Box 737, 116 Memorial Drive Ignacio, CO 81137 970-563-0138

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is requesting the submittal of responses to the RFP for Construction Services to crack and slurry seal the Mouache Capote Parking Lot. Responses to this RFP will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Construction and Project Management Department located at 116 Memorial Drive in Ignacio, Colorado 81137 until 2 PM MDT, on April 10, 2015. Proposals received after that time will not be accepted

and will be returned unopened. Contact April Toledo for a copy of the RFP at 970-563-0138 or atoledo@southernute-nsn.gov. Any pre-bid site visit requests can be made by appointment only by calling (970) 563-0138. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian owned businesses. For information on TERO, contact the TERO office at 970-563-0117. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

## **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) Roadway Construction Services For** SU 106-End of Trail Road

Southern Ute Indian Tribe Construction & Project Management Dept. P.O. Box 737

116 Memorial Drive

Ignacio, CO 81137 970-563-0138

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is requesting the submittal of responses to the RFP for Roadway Construction Services for SU 106-End of Trail Road. Responses to this RFP will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Construction and Project Management Department located at 116 Memorial Drive in Ignacio, Colorado 81137 until 2 PM MDT, on April 27, 2015. Proposals received after that time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened.

Contact April Toledo for a copy of the RFP at 970-563-0138 or atoledo@southernutensn.gov. There will be a Mandatory Pre-Bid Conference located at 356 Ouray Drive, Ignacio, CO 81137, followed by a site visit on Monday, April 13, 2015 at 2 PM The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian owned businesses. TERO information, contact the TERO office at 970-563-0117. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

## **ETHICS OFFICE** Alternate Member-at-Large Vacancy

The Ethics Office is accepting letter of interest from tribal members to fill a vacancy for "Alternate Member-At-Large" position on the Ethics Committee. Qualifications are as follows:

- Be a member of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe
- Have a reputation for fairness and impartiality
- Have a familiarity with tribal government
- Be of good character, active, conversant with proven responsibility in tribal community affairs. The Ethics Committee meets on an Ad Hoc basis and members that are NOT otherwise employed with the tribal organization are compensated at a rate of \$100 per half day. Please submit letters of interest to the Department of Justice & Regulatory, PO Box 737-MS#10, Ignacio, CO, or in person at the Justice Center, 71 Mike Frost Way by May 29, 2015. All letters will be presented to the Southern Ute Tribal Council for their consideration.

# **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) Professional Engineering Design Services Motor Pool Parking Area**

Southern Ute Indian Tribe Construction & Project Management Dept. P.O. Box 737, 116 Memorial Drive Ignacio, CO 81137 970-563-0138

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe is requesting the submittal of responses to the RFP for Professional Civil Engineering Design Services for the Motor Pool Parking Area. Responses to this RFP will be received by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Construction and Project Management Department located at 116 Memorial Drive in Ignacio, Colorado 81137 until 2 PM MDT, on April 10, 2015. Proposals received after that time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened.

Contact April Toledo for a copy of the RFP at 970-563-0138 or atoledo@southernute-nsn. gov. A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held at 2 p.m. MDT on Monday, March 30, 2015 at 815 CR 517, Ignacio, Colorado, Motor Pool Parking Site. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) has established a preference for contracting and subcontracting to certified Indian owned businesses. For information on TERO, contact the TERO office at 970-563-0117. The Southern Ute Indian Tribe reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in bids and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Tribe, to be in the best interest of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

# SOUTHERN UTE INDIAN TRIBE **Tribal Credit Committee Vacancy**

The Southern Ute Tribal Credit Committee has an opening for a member. The Credit Committee members must be 18 years old and be an enrolled member of the Tribe. Individuals seeking to serve on the Committee must demonstrate a reputation of personal integrity, dependability, honesty, a strong work ethic, and the ability to perform in a non-biased, confidential and fair manner. They must be familiar with the objectives of the Declaration and must maintain good financial standing with the Tribe. These individuals must also pass a criminal background and reference checks. The term may be for a three (3) year period. All interested Tribal members who would like to serve on the committee are urged to submit a letter of interest to Andi Cook-Hiett in Human Resources. Open until filled. Duties of the Credit Committee listed below.

- Approve loans as required by the Declaration
- Monitor compliance with Declaration
- Monitor approved loan performance
- Make recommendations to Tribal Council on program revisions and updates regarding Committee operations
- Maintain confidentiality, objectivity and fairness in conducting all Committee business
- Hold monthly regular meeting and other special meetings as necessary Coordinate the Committee's annual budget with Tribal Credit Staff

# SATURDAY MAY 2, 2015 **SKY UTE CASINO EVENTS CENTER DOORS OPEN @ 7PM** SHOW @ 8PM

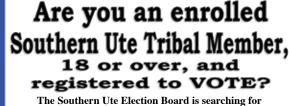
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## JOHNSON O'MALLEY **Committee Vacancies**

There are two vacancies on the Johnson-O'Malley committee. If you are interested in becoming a committee member please submit a letter to the Ellen Baker at the Southern Ute Education Department. This is a volunteered position and JOM only meets once a month on first Monday at 5:30 p.m. If you need any more information contact Ellen Baker at the Education Department, 970-563-0235, ext. 2793 or email esbaker@ southernute-nsn.gov. To be eligible:

- 1. You must have a student enrolled with Ignacio or Bayfield School District K-12.
- 2. You student must be eligible for the Johnson-O'Malley program with proper documentation on file with the Education Department (Ellen Baker).
- 3. Open to Native American parent or legal guardianship of a Native American that is enrolled with the two school districts.



THREE REGULAR & TWO ALTERNATE Board Members! These are tribal appointments and paid positions. If you are interested in applying for either the REGULAR or ALTERNATE Board Member position, submit your Letter of Intent to the Human Resources Department in the Leonard C. Burch Administration Building by Friday, April 3 before 5 p.m.

Have questions? Please phone 970-563-0100 ext. 2303 or 2305. The Election Board is located on the second floor, (east wing) of the Leonard C. Burch Administration Building.



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### **Southern Ute Growth Fund – Job announcements**

Please visit our webiste at www.sugf.com/jobs.asp to view job details and to apply online. Human Resources • P.O. Box 367 • Ignacio, CO • Phone: 970-563-5064 • Job hotline: 970-563-5024. Tribal Member employment preference • Must pass pre-employment drug test/background check.

## II - Growth Fund IT (Durango, CO) Closing date 4/7/15

Provides technical and development support on spatial technology projects for staff and SUGF business unit customers, to include duties within six areas of responsibility: GIS database creation and maintenance, project coordination, application development, client services, geo-spatial product production, and GPS technology coordination.

#### Measurement Technician I - Aka Energy Group (Artesia, NM)

Closing date 4/8/15

Completing all gas measurement and cathodic protection related activities and work tasks. Performs work related to operation and maintenance of measurement equipment at plant and field facilities, including processing plants, compressors, compressor stations, and dehydration equipment. Maintains and calibrates measurement equipment and facilities.

#### Operator II - Aka Energy Group (Maljamar, NM)

Closing date 4/8/15

Operating one or more gas plant processes, including widely diversified job tasks within the same process, in a safe manner. Plant facilities could include gas processing plants, plant compressors, electric generation, dehydration equipment, control systems, treating systems as well as other processes.

#### Operator III - Aka Energy Group (Maljamar, NM)

Closing date 4/8/15

Operating one or more gas plant processes, including widely diversified job tasks within the same process, in a safe manner; responsible for assisting in shutdown planning. Plant facilities could include gas processing plants, plant compressors, electric generation, dehydration equipment, control systems, treating systems as well as other processes.

#### Operations Tech I - Aka Energy Group (Maljamar, NM)

Closing date 4/8/15

Operating one or more gas plant processes, including widely diversified job tasks within the same process, in a safe manner; responsible for assisting in shutdown planning. Plant facilities could include gas processing plants, plant compressors, electric generation, dehydration equipment, control systems, treating systems as well as other processes. Facility will be operated as efficiently and profitably as possible.

#### I&E Technician I - Aka Energy Group (Maljamar, NM)

Closing date 4/8/15

Maintaining the plant control system, analytical equipment, and instrumentation. Performs work related to the repair and PeopleSoft Senior HR Developer - SU maintenance of instrumentation and electrical Shared Services (Ignacio, CO) equipment. Assists operations by maintaining Close date 4/17/15 electrical equipment, and instrumentation. mechanics to ensure that the controls yield the desired operational results.

#### I&E Technician II - Aka Energy Group (Maljamar, NM)

Closing date 4/8/15

Maintaining the plant control system, analytical equipment, and instrumentation. Performs work related to the repair and maintenance of instrumentation and electrical equipment. Programs and tunes plant PLC's and distributive control system. Assists operations by maintaining and tuning the

Geographic Information Systems Analyst plant control system, analytical equipment, electrical equipment, and instrumentation. Works closely with the operators and mechanics to ensure that the controls yield the desired operational results.

#### Lease Operator II - Red Willow Production (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 4/10/15

Under general direction of the Red Willow Production Foremen, this position manages and maintains field operations to ensure that production proceeds safely and efficiently in compliance with all regulations, and in a manner consistent with Tribal priorities and concerns. Assists in collecting and maintaining accurate data related to operations including production data and equipment data.

#### SAP Business Intelligence and PeopleSoft Lead Architect - SU Shared Services (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 4/10/15

Under the general direction of the Application Development Manager, the Lead Architect develops and oversee the implementation of complex data warehouse solutions which extract data from multiple source systems including PeopleSoft Finance and Human Capital Management applications using SAP Business Intelligence suite and Microsoft's SQL Server database toolset along with other data extraction and transformation methods as needed. Analyzes, develops reports and maintains SAP's Business Intelligence suite of tools with other source systems. Supports customers' business goals, assists reporting end users and Shared Services staff as needed within the SAP Business Intelligence suite. Oversees operation and maintenance, including development, backups and disaster recovery as required to meet the information needs of the business.

#### Senior Project Manager - SU Shared Services (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 4/10/15

Leading the internal Shared Services FSCM and HCM projects. Creates and executes project work plans and revises plans as appropriate to meet changing business needs and priorities.

#### PeopleSoft FSCM Developer II - SU Shared Services (Ignacio, CO)

Close date 4/17/15

Development and technical production support of PeopleSoft Finance and Supply Chain applications, providing enterprise wide PeopleSoft technical support and consultation. Will focus on the technical view of the Finance and Supply Chain Management applications with emphasis on the impact, implications, and the technical benefit of system enhancement as well as the implementation of customizations and fixes to the production system.

the plant control system, analytical equipment, Development, analysis, and production support of PeopleSoft Human Capital Management Works closely with the operators and (HCM) and related modules providing enterprise-wide PeopleSoft HR, Payroll and Benefits technical support and consultation. Will primarily focus on the technical view of the HCM application with emphasis on software development, but also includes functional responsibilities with respect to the Software Development Life cycle. The role entails the analysis of the impact, implications, and functional benefit to the production system including enhancements, configuration changes, and customizations. Business stakeholder interactions are an inherent part of this position.

#### **Southern Ute Indian Tribe – Job announcements**

Please refer to the complete job announcements on the HR website at www.southern-ute.nsn. us/jobs. If you need help filling out an online application, please come into the HR office and we are happy to assist you on our applicant computer stations. Applicants and employees, please be sure the Human Resources Department has your current contact information on file.

ALL EMPLOYMENT APPLICATIONS ARE SUBMITTED ONLINE. Human Resources Department: P.O. Box 737 - Ignacio, CO 81137

Phone: 970-563-0100 ext. 2424 • Fax: 970-563-0302 • Hotline: 970-563-4777 Human Resources accepts applications for temporary employment on an ongoing basis.

#### Active Kid Care Leader

Closing date 4/8/15

Provides childcare and physical activities for Southern Ute Tribal member only. Provides needs of children ages toddler through 6 years. Pay grade 10; \$9.05/hour.

#### **Administrative Assistant**

Closing date 4/8/15

Performs administrative, clerical and Custodian Education Department support to the Director Closing date 4/14/15 of Higher Education. Pay grade 14; \$13/hour. Daily cleaning of Southern Ute Indian Tribe

#### **Group Exercise Instructor**

Closing date 4/8/15

Provides group exercise instruction and fitness activities to members of the Sun Ute Community Center, in accordance with the guidelines established and approved by Fitness Director and/or Community Center Director. Pay grade 16; \$15.63/hour.

#### Police Sergeant

Closing date 4/8/15

Coordinates the efforts of the officers and dispatchers to achieve the objectives of the Police Dept. and in the absence of the Police Lieutenant will command the Southern Ute Police Dept. Pay grade 20; \$23.01/hour.

#### Loan Specialist

Closing date 4/10/15

the Active Kid Care program to meet the any clerical, secretarial, and client support to the Tribal Credit Division as needed. Presents positive and professional image to Tribal employees and the public. Pay grade 15; \$14.10/hour.

Buildings and offices. Pay grade 12; \$11/hour.

**Detention Sergeant** Closing date 4/17/15

Under general supervision of the Detention Lieutenant, assist in the planning, organizing, and reviewing administrative and staffing functions and activities in the Detention Division. Pay grade 19; \$20.64/hour.

#### **Grant Writer/Specialist** Closing date 4/30/15

Planning, writing, editing, and preparing grant applications; conducting prospect/foundation/ federal agency research, working closely with Tribal staff members on grant application matters. Assisting in monitoring programs to ensure compliance with grant or contract regulations. Pay grade 20; \$23.01/hour.

#### **Sky Ute Casino Resort – Job announcements**

Visit our website at www.skyutecasino.com to view job openings and apply online. Human Resources • Phone: 970-563-1311 • PO Box 340, Ignacio, CO 81137 TERO-Native American Preference • All Applicants Welcome Must pass pre-employment drug test, background check, qualify for and maintain

a Division of Gaming License and be able to work all shifts, weekends or holidays.

#### Bowling Counter Clerk (Part-time, no perform basic math. Must be able to distinguish benefits)

Closing date 4/3/15

Multi-tasks and thrives in a fast paced and high energy environment. This is the initial point of contact for customers, providing superior and friendly customer service at all times. High School Diploma/equivalency. 18 years old+. Must have 1 year of working in a bowling center OR 2 years of customer service is required. Must have 1 year cash handling experience.

# Line Cook-Banquet (On-call)

Closing date 4/3/15

Assists in the preparation of Al La Carte, Buffet, and Banquet food items as per established menus and specials designated by F&B management. Maintains the highest levels of cleanliness, professionalism, safety, and teamwork and guest service. High School diploma/equivalency. 18 years old+. 2 to 4 years of banquet food production experience or equivalent combination of education and experience. Must have cooking Closing date 4/7/15 experience in high volume restaurant and/or hotel establishments.

# \*Multi-Games Pit Boss (Full-time)

Closing date 4/3/15

Supervision of all multi-games tables and staff as directed by the Table Games Manager. Ensures that guests are provided with a professional, friendly and courteous gaming experience while adhering to all appropriate gaming regulations. 21 years old+. High School diploma/equivalency. Must have 3 years experience as a multi-games dealer or 2 years table games supervisory experience. Must be able to effectively de-escalate and resolve conflict situations with both guests and employees. Must have knowledge of all Class 3 game rules, the ability to deal games and winning/losing combinations and settle wagers accordingly.

#### \*Security Officer (Full-time) Closing date 4/6/15

Ensures that all company policies and internal control procedures are followed. Rresponsible for guest and employee safety on property. They are the first identifiable representatives of the Casino

whose conduct and customer service skills must be of the highest quality. Must present themselves professionally assisting and helping customers with their problems and concerns. High School diploma/equivalency. 21 years old+. Must have a valid driver's license and must be insurable with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. Must have 2 years minimum experience in law enforcement, security or related field. Must acquire First Aid/ CPR training within the first year of employment.

# \*Bell Person (Full-time)

Assists our Casino guests upon check in and check out and throughout their stay under the direction of the Rooms Division Manager. Assistance may include; luggage assistance, directions/maps, providing our guest at Sky Ute Casino Resort with a warm welcome, helping the front desk with daily operations, driving guests to/from the airport and assisting with phones as needed. 21 years old+. High School diploma/equivalency. Must have at least 3 months of prior customer service experience. 6 months of prior hotel/ motel (front of house) operations preferred. Must have valid driver's license and must be insurable with the Southern Ute Indian Tribe.

\*Must be at least 21 years old.

## SOUTHERN UTE CULTURAL CENTER & MUSEUM **Museum Executive Director**

Under the oversight of the SUCCM Board of Directors, the Museum Executive Director is responsible for the implementation of SUCCM's mission including all aspects of museum management which includes supervision of all museum staff, oversight of Collections, archival materials, and artifacts while ensuring that the museum adheres to professional Collection Care standards. In addition, the Executive Director provides administrative oversight and support of all Museum departments and is responsible for budget preparation, financial reports, strategic, marketing, and business plans. Position requires strong museum management and administrative supervisory experience. For other qualifications and further information or an application please call 970-563-9583 or send an email to mgilmore@southernute-nsn.gov. No incomplete or late applications will be considered. Deadline is 5 p.m. April 10, 2015.

# **SUCAP – Job announcements**

Southern Ute Community Action Program Central Office • 285 Lakin St., Ignacio, CO • Phone: 970-563-4517 • Fax: 970-563-4504 Obtain complete job description/application from SUCAP offices • www.sucap.org

# Senior Center Handy Man (Full-time)

Mow lawns, trim trees/shrubs, regular maintenance and repairs on equipment, janitorial duties. Must have valid drivers license, be insurable by SUCAP and be able to lift at least 50 pounds.

## LAND FOR SALE **Attention tribal members/employees**

Tribal members & employees! Get to work in 5 minutes from this 16 irrigated acres on the Southern Ute Indian Tribe reservation, 4 easy miles north from Ignacio off CR 514, one full irrigation water share from the King Ditch, south sloping land growing hay, average 650 bales one cutting, w/pond, electricity at property line, entirely fenced, private, excellent access road, asking price has been significantly reduced to sell at \$150K. Financing may be available with 35% down payment at 5% APR to a qualified buyer. If interested please call Steve Williams 970-884-1326 or email questions to ljmforever53@gmail.com for more details.

# MAYNES, BRADFORD, SHIPPS AND SHEFTEL, LLP **Associate Attorney**

Maynes, Bradford, Shipps and Sheftel, LLP, a thirteen-lawyer, Preeminent A-V and BEST Tier 1 rated law firm headquartered in Durango, Colorado, is seeking an associate attorney for a position in the firm's "Southern Ute Indian Tribe In-House Lawyer Training Program." For more than 40 years, the Maynes firm has served as general counsel for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe, a tribe that is recognized for its national role in Indian country. The program is designed to train lawyers for eventual placement in the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's Legal Department, and a substantial portion of the training will be conducted in coordination with the Tribe's Legal Department. The program includes exposure to, and training in, all aspects of Indian law, as well as supervised client contact. After the mentoring-training period, estimated to be two to three years, a successful trainee will be recommended to the Southern Ute Indian Tribal Council as an in-house attorney with the Tribe's Legal Department. Requires an Indian law background and membership in the Colorado Bar or ability to become licensed within eight months. Native American preference will be given for this unique employment opportunity. Salary and benefits are competitive relative to the Four Corners region. The deadline for applications is April 15; however, applications will be considered and interviews conducted on a rolling basis. Interested applicants should submit a letter of interest, resume, and writing sample to the following address, fax number, or e-mail address: Maynes, Bradford, Shipps & Sheftel, LLP: Southern Ute Indian Tribe In-House Lawyer Training Program. P.O. Box 2717, Durango, Colo., 81302-2717 • Fax: 970-247-8827 • Email: trainingprogram@mbssllp.com

# Painter looking for painting jobs, interior/exterior

Please call Sandy 970-286-4650 or Fred 970-883-5556.

# **KSUT Board of Directors Vacancy**

KSUT Radio is seeking one Southern Ute tribal members to fill a vacancy on its board of directors. This is a non-paid position that requires attending board meetings every month, with additional special meetings as needed. KSUT is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Please send a letter of interest to Rob Rawles at KSUT, P.O. Box 737, Ignacio, CO 81137. Open until filled.

# The power of two helps make a good saltwater experience

By Don Oliver SPECIAL TO THE DRUM

I have discovered that the saying, "You can never have too much gear" is especially true for those of us that enjoy fly-fishing in saltwater. This really becomes apparent if you are fly fishing in a location that does not have a fly shop within 100 miles. Therefore, if something breaks, or gets lost, never having too much gear becomes a trip saver. For me, this is where the power of two becomes an absolute must.

Let's start with the four most important items for any fly-fishing trip: rod, reel, line, and backing. I have confirmed, once or twice, fly rods are magnetically attracted to closing screen doors and celling fans. Hence, I always take two, and sometimes three fly rods. It is amazing how expensive the rental for your best fly-fishing buddy's extra rod gets. and backing on the boat. Reels also have an interestfloat. This is usually discovered while attempting to put by a Chum can come loose. a reel on your rod in a wavepitched boat.

reel for both of my rods, I also have a spare with me. An extra line and spool of backing is something most fly-fishermen don't think about bringing. Fly line, similar to fly rods, has a magnetic quality. Only it is some people never think use, than to talk to yourself drawn to props turning at high speeds. Backing usually becomes separated from the reel because of a poor-



Let's start with the four most important items for any fly-fishing trip: rod, reel, line, and backing.

ly tied knot or sharp coral. Lose one, or both of those, and your day comes to an lace with leader is not satisend. Take your extra line factory.

ing characteristic; they don't must. Even sunglasses hung securely around your neck And like reels, they don't float. If purchasing two In addition to having a pairs of prescription-polarized sunglasses is a budget buster, get a pair of fit overs or flip-ups to use with your er of two won't guarantee a regular glasses. Being able to see that ten-pound bonefish is important.

> Sun protection for areas about protecting is very important. I always wear sun about how you should have gloves and a buff. If a glove flies out of the boat while left safe at home.

running to a flats area, or your laundry bag eats your buff, a back up is needed. Gloves and buffs are light and easy to pack, I might go to the power of three for these. Hats fall into the sun protection area. I wear a baseball cap while the boat is taking me to a fishing location, and then switch to a big floppy straw hat to fish. Again, taking an extra ball cap is easy to do.

Wading on the flats is a great way to fly fish. You're not stumbling from one polished rock to the next, and the water is warm. But, in order to do this a pair of flats boots is necessary. Flats boots come in two styles. One has a zipper on the side, the other laces up. If you have the zippered style you're okay with only one pair of boots. If you have a pair that laces up an extra pair of laces is needed. Trying to replace a broken

I am always amazed how Polarized sunglasses are a heavy solid objects don't float. And, if you are able to retrieve the non-floating object, it won't work. Such was the case with my cigar lighter. Matches don't work in high winds; I will have a spare lighter on my next trip.

> While going to the powsuccessful trip, it will help. Just remember, it's easier and more fun to unpack something you didn't to on the long plane ride home brought something that was

# ALL-LEAGUERS NAMED • FROM PAGE 7





Dolores defense during the 2014-15 season. Garcia was named First Team All-SJBL.

Ignacio's Hilda Garcia (30) angles around the Ignacio's Ellie Seibel (12) on the road at Dove Creek during the 2014-15 season. She was named Honorable Mention All-SJBL.

NHS' Jordan Williams - Gordon, Mancos' Jessica ward Ellie Seibel received named Player-of-the-Year -

and Ouray's Jackie Saunders. Skalla, Dolores' Taylor Elwent to NHS' Makayla

Second Team distinction der and Nucla's Erin Staats. Lady Bobcat junior for-

Gutierrez, RHS' Brynne Honorable Mention All-SJBL along with Mancos' Taylor Goff and Norwood's Ashley Sutherlin.

# IHS LEARNING ON THE FLY • FROM PAGE 7

44') and sophomore Me- rom struck for three goals away on the scoresheet from gan Ellis (PK-11', 58', 74') and sophomore Kenzie each registered a hat trick Zaumseil two. for the victors.

Freshman Alanah Gallegos also found the back of the net twice, in the 15th with the clash's third goal and in the 76th with its tenth - bringing about the mercy-rule stoppage just short of full time, with senior goalie Sara Chronowski needing to make zero saves in keeping a clean sheet.

Telluride (2-2, 2-2 SWL as of Wednesday) then also blanked IHS two days later, 7-nil in a rare Monday match on the 23rd. Lady

Wednesday afternoon trip to Ridgway, the Lady Bobcats' lone goal - a penalty kick in a 5-1 season-opening home loss, March 12 to Center – belonged to junior Tristan Boone. And after the action on the 25th was concluded it still does; the Lady Demons (2-4, 1-3) prevailed 5-0, dropping IHS to 0-4, 0-4.

RHS got goals from senior Chiara Degenhardt, juniors Sarah Pankow and Jessie Walsh, and sophomores Hunter Clapsadl and Emma

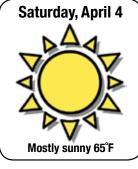
Johannah Laverty (17', 42', Miner freshman Hailey By- Gould to keep Ignacio far goalie Saren Robinson.

## Heading into an also-rare ABOUT THE ASSISTANT

Replacing Tabitha Nickerson (currently working in the mathematics department at Sargent High School, north of Monte Vista in the San Luis Valley) as Cosio's second-in-command season, Pearson - no relation to former Lady Bobcat goalkeeper Savannah Pearson - was a former player at Glenwood Springs, graduating in 2010 after helping the Lady Demons reach the Class 4A State Tournament

# **LOCAL IGNACIO WEATHER**

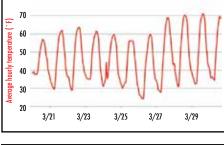








# **Weather data for March 20 – March 30**



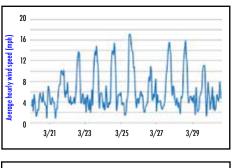
# **Temperature**

High Low	71.1° 24.1°
Average	46.2°
Average last year	39.7°

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# Precipitation

Total	0.030"
Total last year	0.070"



**Data compiled by Southern Ute Environmental Programs** 

# Wind speed Average

Average	6.0
Minimum	0.9
Maximum	17.1

# Visibility & humidity

Average visibility 88.6 Average humidity 36.8%

Air quality Good



Air quality descriptor: 46 Weather forecasts collected from www.NOAA.gov

# CATS OUT TO .400 START • FROM PAGE 7

"Drew threw really well. Around the plate, mixing it up well – we couldn't figure it out," Miller said. "And our defense just went away today; I mean maybe two earned runs?"

"Didn't really expect it – I never really expect anything - but I'm glad it happened," Selser said of his offensive and defensive efforts. "Kept them off-balance, mixed speeds; it was a good game."

"Ignacio's vastly improved, I think, from past years – I've obviously seen them for a lot of years," said Horton, previously head varsity coach at 3A Bayfield. "I thought if we came out, played our game, and didn't kick the ball around that we should win, but you never know! Because they're looking better."

And Horton would have known, having seen and scouted the Cats - a 'Receiving Votes' team in the preseason CHSAANow.com Class 2A poll – as they rallied from a 4-0 first-inning deficit to pull away, 12-6, from nonleague 2A Sargent less than two days earlier.

In which Medina (1.2 IP, 6 H, 7 R, 2 BB, K vs. DHS), who took the loss against the 4A Demon JV, capped off Ignacio's attack with an RBI-triple in the bottom of the sixth upon SunUte Field. "I came in striking out

three times and just felt I needed to get a hit at the end," he said. "Came out with that triple - didn't and it was good."

think I was going to get it! -Leading off that same in-

ning against Farmer reliev-

to Pena leading off the sec- er Michael Ulibarri, Pena Emmitt White, who was 2-4 ond, Raphael Herrera begin- pounded a ball over the with a run and two RBI. "If ning the third no-hit shutout. left-field fence for IHS' first we can clean up the errors homer of the season, in the team's home opener after a season-starting 1-2 showing at the previous weekend's Piedra Vista JV Invitational

> down in Farmington, N.M. "The pitch before that he got hit in the head for a called strike!" laughed Miller, of a bizarre play in which Pena was penalized for apparently leaning into the delivery. "Might have been a little upset; he hit it

pretty hard!" "Yeah I knew I had two strikes, had to hit anything close," Pena said. "So I just

didn't mess with it!" Left-hander Zach Weinreich (3 IP, 4 H, 4 R, 3 BB, HB, 5 K) earned the victory, with Plehinger and junior Tucker Ward combining for seven strikeouts against only one walk in four frames of relief.

"Zach got through a rough first and pitched well after that," said Miller, taking over this spring from Lupe Huerta. "Timmy came in and threw great, and obviously our closer [Ward] was pretty special."

Nine Cats in all had at least one hit in defeating SHS, led by McCaw's 2-for-2, one-run, one-RBI work. Ward was 1-3 with a run and two knocked in, Weinreich was 1-3 with a run and a ribbie, and Pena 1-2 with two walks, a run and an RBI as IHS' pressure created numerous Sargent mistakes.

Farmer senior Kenon Miner (1.1 IP, 6 R, 3 BB, HB, 3 K) was laden with

the loss as a consequence. "As long as we have errors going we're not going to get anything," said SHS 2B/CF

"We had some fielding errors for sure - got to clean that up," agreed Rosa, third baseman in both games while Pena was on the hill, behind the plate and even at second base. "But all around we're looking pretty strong."

then we'll win our games."

"Putting a couple good wins under our belt is going to boost our confidence, help us play better and get better as a team," Pena said. "So we're just going to take it game by game and play hard!"

And speaking of hard, deciding a champ in the Great 'Stache Clash was as difficult as it gets.

"Well I like mine better!" declared Horton. "But he probably likes his - it was probably a draw!"

Miller's take was far more partisan.

"Oh, me! Obviously!" he laughed. "It's a lot better-looking mustache!"

No word yet on when the rematch will occur.

Two up and three down overall as of Monday, March 30, under its new skipper, Ignacio will next see opposition on Friday, April 3 out at non-league 2A Center, the preseason poll's No. 10, with first pitch slated for 11:00 a.m.

"We've got to come and play with confidence, come out and hit the ball," said Medina. "Play with our heads up the entire game." "I'm proud of the boys.

They don't quit when they fall behind; they stay in there and battle!" Miller stated. "We'll practice hard all Spring Break, come back and give it another shot!"